

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 28A  
Harvest Fast Day – Day of Prayer for Prisoners & their Dependents  
General Intercessions

**Priest**

God will fulfil all our needs in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can.  
Full of confidence, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

**Reader**

1. For the Church:  
that we may hear God's invitation to life  
and enter wholeheartedly into the banquet  
God has prepared for us.  
*PAUSE for silent prayer — at least five seconds. Repeat after each intention.*  
Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**
2. For the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development;  
that through our fasting and our generosity,  
the poor and hungry of the world will be freed from their plight.
3. At this harvest season we pray for our farmers  
and for all who work in food production;  
may we always have enough for our own needs,  
and to share with others with glad and generous hearts.
4. For prisoners and their families:  
that they will know that God loves them unconditionally,  
and will experience the God's abiding presence.
5. For all who are ill:  
that God will ease their suffering, return them to health,  
and that they may experience God's abiding presence.
6. For the faithful departed:  
those who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries we keep;  
that God will gather them into the feast of the kingdom.
7. Let us ask our Blessed Mother to intercede for us with her Son: Hail, Mary. ...

**Priest**

Almighty and ever-merciful God,  
from whom no secret of the heart is hidden,  
you alone know who is just,  
and alone can forgive the sinner.  
Hear our prayer for your servants  
who are detained in prison,  
that, sustained by patience and hope,  
they may shortly resume their lives in freedom.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.