

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 28B  
Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families  
General Intercessions

**Priest**

No created thing can hide from God;  
humbly, therefore, we pray for the Church and for the world.

**Reader**

1. For Pope Francis, Bishop Paul and all bishops;  
for Father Geoffrey and all priests, deacons and religious:  
that they may remain strong in their vocation,  
and may God bless them with wisdom, patience and charity.

*PAUSE for silent prayer — at least five seconds, please. Repeat after each intention.*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

2. For all who are imprisoned, whether justly or unjustly:  
that they may feel the love of God,  
even and especially in their darkest moments.
3. For the families of prisoners, especially the children:  
that they may know that God loves them unconditionally,  
and that they will feel God's presence and comfort in their loneliness.
4. For all refugees, especially the many victims  
who have lost their lives seeking sanctuary in the United Kingdom.
5. For all the sick and suffering:  
may they feel the Lord walking beside them,  
to bring them comfort in their afflictions.
6. For all who have died:  
that perpetual light shine upon them  
and that God grant them eternal rest grant.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail, Mary ...

**Priest**

Let your tireless grace accompany us, Lord God,  
let it go before us and follow after,  
that we may never slacken in our resolve,  
to pursue the practice of good works.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.