

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 33A

World Day of the Poor

General Intercessions

Priest

Gathered as sons and daughters of God the Father, giver of all good gifts,
we reverently make our prayer.

Reader

1. For our Holy Father and the bishops of the Church:
that, enriched by the Holy Spirit,
they may direct the flock entrusted to them in the ways of truth and love.

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

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

2. For parents:
may they give of their best to create an atmosphere of love in the home;
and may their children respond with warmth and affection.
3. For all couples whose marriages have broken down,
and those who are experiencing difficulties:
that they will be able to find peace by putting their trust in God.
4. For all those who struggle to get enough to eat:
that they may know they are not forgotten,
and that together, by the grace of God,
we may build a brighter future and a fairer world.
5. For doctors, nurses, home-helps, and those in the caring professions,
who use their gifts to bring Christ's love
to the lonely, the sick, and the imprisoned.
6. For our deceased relatives and friends:
that God will grant them eternal rest in the kingdom.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

O God,
from whose own abundance
all gifts and skills are lavishly bestowed,
encourage us to use our talents
as generously as you have allotted them,
so that, being faithful to your purpose,
we may become sharers in your glory.
We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.