

Season of Easter : Sunday 7C

World Communications Day

General Intercessions

Priest

Calling to mind the Father's love which excels all our hopes and desires,
we pray for that unity of heart and mind
which was the parting wish of Jesus.

Reader

1. We pray for our Holy Father:
may he have the courage and wisdom
to lead the Church in these difficult times.

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

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

2. For our young parishioners:
those who will be Confirmed at Pentecost.
and those who are preparing for their first Holy Communion:
that they may always treasure God's love in their hearts.
3. For Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, as she celebrates her Platinum Jubilee:
that God reward her for her decades of faithful service;
and for all who govern and lead nations,
that the risen Christ may inspire and direct them.
4. On this World Communications Day,
we thank God for enabling us to use media sources for business,
contacting family and friends, for spiritual worship and for education;
we pray that we will always use media sources in a responsible way,
and not allow them to corrupt the minds of our young people.
5. We pray for all whose media information is censored,
giving them a false impression of world affairs.
6. Through his Ascension, our Saviour opened for us the gates of heaven:
may he open the way to the peace of his kingdom
for our faithful departed.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

Lord God,
we firmly believe that Christ our Saviour
now reigns with you in majesty.
Open your ears to our prayer,
that we may also experience the truth of his promise
to remain with us always, even to the end of time.
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.