Season of Ordinary Time: Sunday 7C General Intercessions

Priest

The Lord is full of compassion, rich in love. Confidently, we pray for the church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the Church:

that we may be instruments of God's mercy and compassion by sharing with others the forgiveness that we ourselves receive.

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

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

- 2. For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for Bishop Paul and all bishops, for Father Geoffrey and all priests, deacons, and religious: that they will continue to be inspired by the Holy Spirit.
- 3. For freedom of heart:

that the Holy Spirit will free us from returning evil for evil, and guide us in confronting evil with love and mercy especially, at this moment, in Eastern Europe.

4. For all who are suffering:

that the Lord will bring justice to the oppressed, hope to those who are grieving, and healing to the sick.

- 5. For the staff and Sixth Form students of Our Lady's Catholic College: that God will bless their project in Uganda, and enable it to bear lasting fruit.
- 6. For all who have died: may they experience the everlasting peace of God.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Risen Lord, to join her petitions with ours: Hail, Mary,

Priest

Almighty God, fix our hearts on what is right and true, that we may please you always, by observing your will in both word and deed. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.