

# The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven

## General Intercessions

### Priest

Christ has been raised from the dead,  
the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.  
In this great hope, we pray for the Church and for the world.

### Reader

1. For the Church:  
that we will be guided by the wisdom of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, our Bishop, Paul, and all the bishops, clergy and religious.

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

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

2. For world leaders:  
may they always work for peace by trying to look for the good in one another,  
rather than the bad.
3. For families, especially for mothers:  
that the Queen of Peace may reign in all homes,  
and that mothers may find in Mary  
the example and strength to carry out their vocation.
4. For the sick, especially for those suffering as a result of Covid-19,  
and all those caring for them;  
for scientists and researchers  
who are seeking a cure and a vaccine.
5. For our young people, receiving the results of their examinations;  
that God's Holy Spirit will guide them in the choices they will make.
6. For the faithful departed;  
for all who are grieving for someone who has died;  
may they take comfort in the knowledge that their loved ones  
are now at peace in the presence of the Lord.
7. We ask Mary, assumed body and soul into heaven,  
to join with us in our prayers as we say: Hail, Mary...

### Priest

God of power and life,  
who chose the sinless Virgin Mary to be mother of your Son  
and raised her, body and soul, to the glory of heaven,  
set our hearts upon the things that are above  
and lift us up to share in her glory.

Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.