

Season of Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 19A
General Intercessions

Priest

God's voice speaks peace to a faithful people.

With confidence and in hope, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the Church:
for our Holy Father, Pope Francis;
that we may follow his lead in encouraging our young people
to discover a new way to live beyond material possessions
and provide the opportunity to encounter Christ in their daily lives.

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

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

2. For world leaders:
that they will be open to lessons learnt
during these months of fighting against the Coronavirus,
and be prepared for the possibility of a second wave,
protecting the health of their people first
whilst also safeguarding livelihoods and the economy.
3. For the people of Beirut:
let us pray for them during the aftermath of the terrible explosion
which has destroyed so many lives, homes and businesses,
in an area already struggling to survive in their daily lives.
4. For students awaiting exam results:
that, despite the uncertainties of this year,
their results will be a good stepping-stone
on their lifelong journey of learning, and will open new horizons for them.
5. For those suffering from the virus, and all who care for them:
that they may be given strength to cope
as the scientists continue their dedicated work to find treatments and a vaccine.
6. For all who have died:
especially our loved ones, close to our hearts.
7. We ask the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church: Hail, Mary, ...

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God of all power,

your sovereign word comes to us in Christ.

When your Church is in danger, make firm our trust;

when your people falter, steady our faith.

Show us in Jesus your power to save,

that we may always acclaim him as Lord,

who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.