

Season of Christmas : Second Sunday after Christmas General Intercessions

Priest

Before the world was made,
God chose us to live through love in his presence.
In this season of hope, we pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the Church:
may we grow in wisdom,
that we will hear the Lord's call and carry his message wherever we go.

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

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

2. For missionaries:
that throughout the world the Good News of our Saviour
will be taken up in peoples' hearts and deeds.
3. For all who are ill, weak, or elderly;
and those who are suffering from the Covid-19 virus;
for those who have recently undergone operations, and those who are waiting:
may they always know that God's grace and comfort.
4. As the beginning of the new term approaches,
we pray for our pupils and students,
for teachers, and for all who work in education.
5. For ourselves:
that in this new year of Our Lord, 2021,
we may have the peace of heart to listen to God's message,
and the faith to commit ourselves to it.
6. For all who have died:
may they be delivered from every evil, and find eternal rest in God.
7. We turn to Mary, our Mother, and ask her to join her prayers to ours: Hail, Mary

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All-powerful and ever-living God,
glory of those who believe in you,
fill the world with your splendour
and show every nation the radiance of your light.
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.