

Season of Easter : Sunday 4C
World Day of Prayer for Vocations – election of Pope Leo XIV
General Intercessions

Priest

Giving thanks to God,
who draws us into the mystery of his Son's death and resurrection,
we pray for the needs of the Church and of the world.

Reader

1. For the Church;
that all who are reborn by water and the Holy Spirit
will bear witness to the risen Christ with courage and faith.

PAUSE for silent prayer — please count five full seconds. Repeat after each intention.

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

2. For our bishops, and all who shepherd the flock of Christ, especially Pope Leo;
that God will fill them with wisdom and integrity
3. For all who are discerning a call to ordained ministry;
that they will recognise God's vision for the Church.
4. For the peace of the world;
for reconciliation and the end of conflict and division;
for all those driven from their homes by violence, oppression, and prejudice.
5. For all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit;
may Christ the Shepherd enfold them in his care.
6. For the faithful departed:
those who have died recently, and all whose anniversary we keep;
that they will know the gift of life with Christ their Shepherd.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

O God,
in your wisdom and providence
you built your Church upon Peter,
first among the apostles;
look with favour on our Pope Leo,
that, as Peter's chosen successor,
he may be for your people the visible rock and foundation
on which their oneness in faith and communion is built.

Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.