

General intercessions
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Celebrant: Christ intercedes for us with the Father, therefore we can pray with great confidence:

Reader:

That all Christians may live with the conviction that Christ is risen and will return:

Lord, hear us ...

That God may strengthen many to answer His call to serve as priests, deacons, and religious brothers and sisters:

Lord, hear us ...

For peace: that the Holy Spirit may move world leaders to resolve differences through dialogue and especially to reduce tensions in Eastern Europe:

Lord, hear us ...

That by seeing God's presence more clearly in every human life, we may honour, protect and sustain that life from the cradle to the grave:

Lord, hear us ...

That all who are sick may find healing and the comfort of family and friends,

Lord, hear us ...

That, purified of sin, all who have died may come to rejoice in eternal life:

Lord, hear us ...

Celebrant:

Let us seek the help of Our Lady of Lourdes, as we say, *Hail, Mary...*

Father, despite our unworthiness, you call us to follow you. As you hear our prayers, make us faithful in responding to your call. Through Christ our Lord.