

**General intercessions**  
*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)*

**Celebrant:** In Christ, every spiritual blessing is open to us. Grateful for his love we now pray for all the needs of God's people.

**Reader:**

That the Church may continue to call everyone to discover the holiness which Jesus offers to all who follow him:

Lord, hear us ...

That those who have hurt us and those who consider themselves our enemies, may be drawn into the grace of God:

Lord, hear us ...

That God's grace may enable everyone to see that from the unborn to the elderly and the dying, we are all reflections of his glory and temples of the Spirit;

Lord, hear us ...

That our preparation for Lent may help us to focus on our need for God:

Lord, hear us ...

That the sick and the suffering may know the healing touch of the Lord,

Lord, hear us ...

That all the dead, especially those most dear to us, may be welcomed into the arms of God's loving mercy:

Lord, hear us ...

**Celebrant:**

Let us seek the prayers of Our Lady of Mercy: *Hail Mary...*

Father, you bestow your blessings on the just and the unjust alike. Forgive our sins, fulfil our needs and keep us in your peace. Through Christ our Lord.