

General intercessions

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Celebrant: Gathered in the name of Christ, we humbly come before the Father to present our needs.

Reader

That we may be strengthened by the Spirit in our task of spreading the Good News of Jesus throughout the world:

Lord, hear us ...

For all who are working to establish peace, especially in the Middle East: that the Spirit may inspire new pathways to mutual understanding,

Lord, hear us ...

For all whom feel devalued: that God will heal their self-image and give them a new spirit of purpose and direction in life

Lord, hear us ...

That all who despair because of past grave sins may open their hearts to the merciful forgiveness of the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted:

Lord, hear us ...

That the sick and the suffering may have the strength to unite their afflictions to those of Christ, and obtain his healing and peace:

Lord, hear us ...

That the members of our families and parish community who have died may be welcomed into God's kingdom:

Lord, hear us ...

Celebrant:

Let us seek the prayers of Our Lady, Mirror of Charity, *Hail, Mary...*

Almighty God, you are the source of our hope and strength. As you answer our prayers, keep us always close to you, and bring us salvation. Through Christ our Lord.