

General intercessions
First Sunday of Lent (C)

Celebrant: As we begin our Lenten journey, we bring our needs and the needs of the world, before God's throne.

Reader:

That Pope Francis may receive the care that he needs and experience the support of our prayers,

Lord, hear us ... *Lord, hear us ...*

That the sufferings of the peoples of Ukraine and Gaza will end and that they will come to know peace and freedom from violence,

Lord, hear us ...

That all governments may foster justice by acknowledging God as supreme over every human law and activity:

Lord, hear us ...

For the strength to resist the temptation to discriminate against the dependent or the needy; the poor, the foreigner, the elderly or the unborn:

Lord, hear us ...

For those who are sick, that God's love and our care may bring them healing and strength:

Lord, hear us ...

That all who have died may be purified of sin and blessed with the eternal vision of God:

Lord, hear us ...

Celebrant:

Let us seek the prayers of Mary, Mother of Mercy, *Hail, Mary...*

Father, our source of strength in every temptation, hear our prayers.

Grant that in all our needs, we may confess Jesus as the only Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever.