

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (H1)

PRIEST: Brothers and Sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his:

READER: The response is “**Hear our prayer.**”

- In Baptism _____ received the light of Christ.
Scatter the darkness now and lead *him/her* over the waters of death.
Lord in your mercy: ***R/. Hear our prayer***
- Our *brother/sister* _____ was nourished at the table of the Savior.
Welcome *him/her* into the halls of the heavenly banquet.
Lord in your mercy: ***R/. Hear our prayer***
- Many Friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom.
Grant them an everlasting home with Jesus.
Lord in your mercy: ***R/. Hear our prayer***
- Many people die by violence, war, and famine each day.
Show your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly these sins against your love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace.
Lord in your mercy: ***R/. Hear our prayer***
- Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord.
Give refreshment, rest, and peace to all whose faith is known to you alone.
Lord in your mercy: ***R/. Hear our prayer***
- The family and friends of _____ seek comfort and consolation.
Heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come with grief.
Lord in your mercy. ***R/. Hear our prayer***
- We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for _____.
Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of your Son’s coming.
Lord in your mercy. ***R/. Hear our prayer***

PRIEST: Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased by the blood of the lamb. Forgive the sins of all who sleep in Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. ***R/. Amen.***

PRIEST: God the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead;
with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead.

READER: The response is: **“Lord, hear our prayer.”**

- For _____, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life,
that *HE/SHE* may be admitted to the company of the saints.
We pray to the Lord. ***R/. Lord, hear our prayer.***
- For _____ who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life,
that *HE/SHE* may be raised up on the last day.
We pray to the Lord. ***R/. Lord, hear our prayer.***
- For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us,
that they may have the reward of their goodness.
We pray to the Lord. ***R/. Lord, hear our prayer.***
- For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again,
that they may see God face to face.
We pray to the Lord. ***R/. Lord, hear our prayer.***
- For the family and friends of our *BROTHER/SISTER* _____,
that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord,
who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus.
We Pray to the Lord. ***R/. Lord, hear our prayer.***
- For all of us assembled here to worship in faith,
that we may be gathered together again in God’s kingdom.
We pray to the Lord. ***R/. Lord, hear our prayer.***

PRIEST: God, our shelter and our strength, you listen in love to the cry of your people;
hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters.
Cleanse them of their sins and grant them the fullness of redemption.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (H3)

PRIEST: My dear friends, let us join with one another in praying to God, not only for our departed (BROTHER/SISTER), but also for the Church, for peace in the world, and for ourselves.

READER: The response is: **“Lord, hear our prayer.”**

- That the bishops and priests of the Church, and all who preach the Gospel, may be given the strength to express in action the word they proclaim.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That those in public office may promote justice and peace.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That those who bear the cross of pain
in mind and body may never feel forsaken by God.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That God may deliver the soul of his servant _____
from punishment and from the powers of darkness.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That God in his mercy may blot out all *HIS/HER* offenses.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That God may establish *HIM/HER* in light and peace.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That God may call *HIM/HER* to happiness in the company of all the saints.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That God may welcome into His glory those of our family and friends
who have departed this life.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- That god may give a place in the kingdom of heaven
to all the faithful departed.
We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest: O God, Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of your departed servants release from all their sins. Hear our prayers for those we love and give them the pardon they have always desired.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **R/. Amen**

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (H4)

PRIEST: Let us turn to Christ Jesus with confidence and faith in the power of his cross and resurrection:

READER: The response is: “**Lord have mercy.**”

- Risen Lord, pattern of our life forever:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***
- Promise and image of what we shall be:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***
- Son of God who came to destroy sin and death:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***
- Word of God who delivered us from the fear of death:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***
- Crucified Lord, forsaken in death, raised in glory:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***
- Lord Jesus, gentle Shepherd who brings rest to our souls,
give peace to _____ forever:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***
- Lord Jesus, you bless those who mourn and are in pain.
Bless _____'s family and friends
who gather around *HIM/HER* today:
Lord, have mercy. ***R/. Lord have mercy.***

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (H5)

(FOR A BAPTIZED CHILD)

PRIEST: Jesus is the Son of God and the pattern for our own creation.
His promise is that one day we shall truly be like him.
With our hope founded on that promise, we pray:

READER: The response is: **“Lord, have mercy.”**

- That God will receive our praise and thanksgiving for the life of _____:
Let us pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, have mercy.**
- That God will bring to completion _____’s baptism into Christ:
Let us pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, have mercy.**
- That God will lead _____ from death to life:
Let us pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, have mercy.**
- That all of us, _____’s family and friends, may be comforted in our grief:
Let us pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, have mercy.**
- That God will grant peace to all who have died in the faith of Christ:
Let us pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, have mercy.**
- That one day we may all share in the banquet of the Lord, praising God for victory over death:
Let us pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, have mercy.**

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS (H6)
(FOR A BAPTIZED CHILD)

PRIEST: The Lord Jesus is the lover of his people and our sure hope.
Let us ask him to deepen our faith and sustain us in this dark hour:

READER: The response is: "Bless us and keep us, O Lord."

- You became a little child for our sake, sharing our human life.
To you we pray. ***R/. Bless us and keep us, O Lord.***

- You grew in wisdom, age, and grace, and learned obedience through suffering.
To you we pray. ***R/. Bless us and keep us, O Lord.***

- You welcomed children, promising them your kingdom.
To you we pray. ***R/. Bless us and keep us, O Lord.***

- You comforted those who mourn the loss of children and friends.
To you we pray. ***R/. Bless us and keep us, O Lord.***

- You took upon yourself the suffering and death of us all.
To you we pray. ***R/. Bless us and keep us, O Lord.***

- You promised to raise up those who believe in you
just as you were raised up in glory by the Father.
To you we pray. ***R/. Bless us and keep us, O Lord.***

PRIEST: Lord God you entrusted _____ to our care
and now you embrace *HIM/HER* in your love.
Take _____ into your keeping together with all children who
have died.

Comfort us, your sorrowing servants, who seek to do your will and to know your
saving peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen

General Intercessions:

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Priest: Let us pray for _____, *HIS/HER* family and friends, and for all God's people:

Response: Lord, hear our prayer

For _____, child of God and heir to the kingdom, that *HE/SHE* be held securely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity.

We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord hear our prayer

For _____'s family, especially *HIS/HER* mother and father, that they feel the healing power of Christ in the midst of their pain and grief.

We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord hear our prayer

For _____ friends, those who played with *HIM/HER* and those that cared for *HIM/HER*, that they may be consoled in their loss and strengthened in their love for one another.

We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord hear our prayer

For all parents who grieve over the death of their children, that they may be comforted in the knowledge that their children dwell with God.

We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord hear our prayer

For children who have died of hunger and disease, that these little ones be seated close to the Lord at his heavenly table.

We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord hear our prayer

For the whole Church, that we prepare worthily for the hour of our death, when God will call upon us by name to pass from this world to the next.

We pray to the Lord.

R/. Lord hear our prayer

Priest: Lord God, you entrusted _____ to our care and now you embrace *HIM/HER* in your love. Take _____ into your keeping together with all children who have died. Comfort us, your sorrowing servants, who seek to do your will and to know your saving peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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