

Intercessions –24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 15th September 2024

PRIEST: Loving Lord, you asked your disciples, “Who do you say I am?” Peter replied, “You are the Christ”. You are the king and centre of our hearts. We come to you today in love and trust, knowing that you love us more than we can possibly imagine.

READER: We pray for Pope Francis as he returns from his visit to Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, Timor-Leste and Singapore. May he have been an effective messenger of Gospel love to all peoples.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for all who work to evangelise our local communities, that through the ‘Joy of the Gospel’ they can continue their efforts to bring people closer to Jesus, making our Church a place where people can flourish through the work of your Holy Spirit.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.

READER: Remembering our Lord’s Exaltation on the Cross, we ask the grace to confess Jesus Christ as Lord and to embrace whatever crosses we may be asked to embrace in his name.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray that all may respect every aspect of God’s creation: from the gifts of nature to the precious gift of human life.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially the sick of our own Parish; **William Moran, Hughie Quinn, Father Fred Sheldon, Damian Poole, Angela and Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Ken Shirley, Danny Meadows, Jennifer O’Donnell, Kevin McDaid, James Brown, John McCarthy, Sandra Evans, Christopher Edmund Poole, Catherine Walton, Philip Saunders, Molly Saunders, Eileen Nolan, Savio Baretto, , Joan Gibson, Eddie Martin, Helen Brookes, Eileen Doyle, Briegie Williams, Jonathan Williams, Anthony O’Neill, Michael, Patrick, Aiden & Anne O’Donnell, Paul Nagle, Margaret Hughes, Paulina Samathar, Philomena Baretto, Rita Perry, John Pullen, Dorothy Reynard, Doreen Cotton** and our families wherever they may be. May they find hope and healing and may we all find ways of responding to their needs.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray that those touched by shadows of bereavement, may feel themselves close to their dear ones, through him whose light even death could not overcome We remember those who have died recently: **Lena Gallagher, Gerardine McGlinchey, Sheila McGovern, Sheila Margaret Bush, Thelma Cole, Graham Heeley, Patrick Lalor, Father Peter Blundell, Dermot McCready, Peter Bowyer and John Smith;** we pray that they all may be brought to life in Christ who has destroyed death as the final enemy under His feet.

We also remember those with anniversaries at this time.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: as we say- Hail Mary...Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions and for those intentions placed in the prayer box.

PRIEST: Lord God, be with us. Stay with us. Lead us and guide us towards you, who are our way, our truth and our life. Amen.