

25 February 2024
Second Sunday of Lent Year B
Prayer of the Faithful

Priest: In the midst of a world filled with fear and confusion, let us pray with confidence to our loving God that we, the Church, will be a sign of hope capable of transforming human lives.

1. For Pope Francis, Archbishop Anthony, all bishops, priests and religious. May they always be committed to following God's commands, and so lead the Faithful to the glory of the Kingdom. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. For the community of St Michael's. May we make use of the gifts the Holy Spirit has given us, cultivating friendship and cooperation for the good of the Church and the wider community. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. For all Christians. May we be like Peter and James and John who were filled with delight in the presence of God and be renewed in our desire to live as disciples of Jesus. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. For leaders of nations. May the radiance of the Transfigured One shine on them so that they will promote and bring about peace founded on justice throughout the world. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. For children damaged by broken homes, poverty, war, slavery and prostitution. May they and their families rebuild their lives and welcome the future with the help of God and those who believe in him. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: John Romanous, Karam Nader, Jim Manwaring. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of our recently departed relatives and friends: John Mercer, Fred Perera, Leonila Hewett, Rosetta Reitano, Farrokh, Maxima Aquilizar, Vincent Jiang, Maria, Vezna.

Pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Jelena Bozicevic, Nicola Zannino, Maria da Costa, Maria Guterres.

Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory especially those who have no one to pray for them. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest: Almighty Father, with grace and glory transform our lives; give us strength to overcome the trials of this earthly life; and fit us for heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.