

10 March 2024
Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B
Prayer of the Faithful

Priest: When we were dead in our sins, God brought us to life in his Son, lifted up on the Cross for us. Through that crucified Redeemer, let us draw near to our loving Father.

1. For Pope Francis, Archbishop Anthony, all bishops and priests. May they prove to be spiritual leaders who always walk in the light of Christ, avoiding the darkness of sin and death and living in the truth of the Gospel. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. For a spirit of sacrifice. Jesus gave himself for the life of the world when he was lifted up on the cross. May we unite our little trials to his ultimate sacrifice and nurture within us the virtues of humility and long suffering. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. For a greater awareness of God's generous love. We hope in God because he is faithful and we trust in his generous love that has saved us, in Christ. May we constantly reflect God's goodness in both our words and our actions. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. For those among us who are putting off the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent because of fear, laziness or pride. May we realise that the earlier we are freed from the bondage of sin, the longer we walk in grace, grow in joy and live in the peace of God. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Henry Chau, Sylvia Ocampo, Sandra Kirner, John Romanous, Jim Manwaring. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of our recently departed relatives and friends: John Mercer, Fred Perera, Zeljana Bozic, Margherita Albanese, Maureen Fraser.

Pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Edward Mendez, Ellen Carlisle, Milan Jukic.

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

Priest: Loving Father, our petitions are numerous, but we know your mercy is without end. We unite them to the infinite sacrifice of Jesus lifted up for us, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.