

Third Sunday of Lent (C)

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant:

Let us ask the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name, to send the Spirit of his Son into our hearts as we pray for the needs of the Church and of the world.

1. For the Church during this time of synod; inspired by our experience of communion, may we participate more fully in the mission of Christ in every place and time. **Lord, hear us.**

2. We pray for the farming community as they till the land and prepare the soil for sowing. Bless their work with an abundant harvest. **Lord, hear us.**

3. The Lord said, *“I have seen the miserable state of my people...I have heard their appeal to be free.”* We pray for the Ukrainian people and for an end to the war that has ravaged their country. Bless them with strength to endure their suffering and hardship. **Lord, hear us.**

4. For all who continue their preparation for Baptism or full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. As they receive the Creed, may they learn to embrace with joy the faith they profess. **Lord, hear us.**

5. That men and women of violence will repent of their sins and walk in the ways of peace and justice. **Lord, hear us.**

6. We pray for a spirit of conversion; as the Lord called to Moses from the heart of the burning bush, may He draw us closer to Him during this Lenten season. **Lord, hear us.**

7. For all who are sick or suffering, lonely or bereaved, that the Lord will bring healing to the sick, comfort to the dying, conversion to sinners, and light to those experiencing darkness. **Lord, hear us.**

8. During this season of Lent, may we trust in the Lord *'who forgives our guilt', 'heals every one of our ills'*, and redeems us. **Lord, hear us.**

9. We pray for all who have died; may they rest in the peace of everlasting life. **Lord, hear us.**

Celebrant:

God our Father, in charity, fasting and prayer you have shown us a remedy for sin. Listen to our prayers and lift up our hearts with the assurance of your mercy. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**