

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Prayers of the Faithful

#### **Celebrant:**

With our eyes fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy, with confidence we bring our prayers before His throne of grace.

1. For the Church on the path of synod: through our synodal journey, may we grow in our shared responsibility of the mission entrusted to us. **Lord, hear us.**
2. We pray for all parents, for the sacrifices they make, the guidance they offer, the worry they endure, and the encouragement they give to their children; reward their unconditional love and selfless care of their children. **Lord, hear us.**
3. St. Paul boasts, ‘the marks on my body are those of Jesus’. We pray for all those marked with the waters of baptism and the Holy Spirit. May they give united witness to the cross of Jesus Christ. **Lord, hear us.**
4. For the gift of friendship: for friends who enrich our lives, celebrate with us in good times, comfort us in times of sorrow and disappointment, motivate and inspire us to succeed, and care for us with compassion. **Lord, hear us.**
5. For vocations to priesthood and religious life. Fill the hearts of men and women with your Holy Spirit that they may have listening hearts and the courage to serve as labourers in your harvest. **Lord, hear us.**

6. We pray for those who have come to our country seeking asylum or refuge, those who have come to Ireland to make a new beginning for their families, and we pray for our diaspora across the world. May they experience a welcome which reflects the nearness of the 'kingdom of God.' **Lord, hear us.**
  
7. For those who go on mission for the sake of the Kingdom of God; may they be effective missionary disciples, helping others encounter Christ in their lives. **Lord, hear us.**
  
8. We pray for peace in the midst of violence, war and tragedy in our world. May all people live free from violence, in safety and security, and with hope for the future. **Lord, hear us.**
  
9. For the dead: may we rejoice that their names are written in heaven. **Lord, hear us.**

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Loving Father, make us faithful in following your law of love transforming our minds and hearts. We ask these prayers through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**