

St. Patrick's Day (C) Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant:

With God's wisdom to guide us and His strength to uphold us, we bring our prayers before the Lord.

1. We pray for the Church in Ireland: may God give its leaders courage and compassion in preaching and teaching the Good News. **Lord, hear us.**
2. St. Patrick prayed, '*May the wisdom of God instruct us*'. We pray for all currently working for an end to the conflict in Ukraine. May your wisdom inspire them, your shield protect them, and your generosity provide for their needs. **Lord, hear us.**
3. For all who, like Patrick, are forced into exile across the world: help them overcome the obstacles and challenges they face on a daily basis, and may they be treated with respect, hospitality, and welcome wherever they seek refuge and asylum. **Lord, hear us.**
4. Go mbeidh trócaire Dé soiléir inár saol laethúil sa chuí a shínimid amach chucu sin a bhfuil riachtanais acu tríd easpa dídine, ocras agus géarleanúna. **A Thiarna, eist linn.**

May we witness to God's mercy in our daily lives as we reach out to those who are homeless, hungry and persecuted. **Lord, hear us.**

5. For those overwhelmed by loneliness, poverty and despair, that they may be comforted through our help and kindness. **Lord, hear us.**

6. For our undocumented in the United States, Australia and throughout the world: may solutions be found to integrate them freely and legitimately into society. **Lord, hear us.**

7. We pray for those who leave our shores in search of new beginnings and for those who have come to our country to make their home. May they experience an abundance of blessings in the care and support of their new communities. **Lord, hear us.**

8. Guímis ar son na ndaoine a fuar bás sa pharóiste seo le déanaí sa mbaile agus i gcéin, go ndéana Dia trócaire ar a n-anamacha dílis. **A Thiarna, eist linn.**

We pray for those have died recently from this parish at home and abroad, may God have mercy on their faithful souls. **Lord, hear us.**

Celebrant:

Heavenly Father, keep us faithful in following the Gospel proclaimed by St. Patrick. Help us to be living witnesses to the goodness you reveal in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**