

Pentecost Sunday

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: The Spirit Jesus sent brought to Jerusalem that day His gift of speaking, listening, and understanding. Father, we pray this day in and for that gift: ears and tongues to hear and proclaim; hearts to listen and understand.

1. For those who have lapsed from or rejected living belief in Jesus: bless them with a fresh outpouring of Your grace which draws them closer in love to the sacramental life of the Church. **Lord, hear us.**

2. For the Synodal Process across the Universal Church: as we journey together in a spirit of attentive listening, help us to recognise the Spirit's voice in all things. **Lord, hear us.**

3. For Men and Women who Serve your Holy People: may the Holy Spirit shower them with gifts which unite languages, nationalities, and circumstances. **Lord, hear us.**

4. For the recently Confirmed of our diocese: may the Holy Spirit fill their hearts, minds, and voices with courage to love universally. **Lord, hear us.**

5. For Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood: for those whom the Lord calls to minister to His people—may they have ears that hear, hearts that understand, and lips that pray and speak of God's love. **Lord, hear us.**

6. For Peace: may Your Spirit influence minds and hearts to explore the paths of communication, diplomacy, and compromise in pursuit of lasting peace and justice. **Lord, hear us.**

7. For the Dead who call on You for mercy. In faith and trust, grant them rest and resurrection. **Lord, hear us.**

8. In the silence of our hearts, we now bring before the Lord our own prayers. (Pause) **Lord, hear us.**

Celebrant: Through Jesus, in the Spirit, we bring our prayers to You, O Father, for we know that You hear us and answer our every need, always.
Amen.