

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: Aware of the frailty of the human condition and our complete dependence on God, we present our needs and those of the whole human race to the God who cares for all.

1. For the Church throughout the world and in our parish that World Youth Day in Lisbon may inspire many young people to participate more deeply and joyfully in parish life and activities. **Lord, hear us.**
2. That civil authorities and all who exercise power influence and authority in our land may respect and uphold the spiritual nature and needs of the human person and of society. **Lord, hear us.**
3. On this Grandparent's Sunday we pray that we may reap where they have sown and show them the respect and love they deserve for the example they have given and the sacrifices they have made. **Lord, hear us.**
4. We pray for those among us with real and urgent needs, worries and cares that they may find comfort in prayer and practical support in the community. **Lord, hear us.**
5. We pray that during the school summer holidays we may have weather suited to all our needs and that all families may have or take time together to love, listen and learn; to rest, to pray and to play. **Lord, hear us.**
6. For those for whom 'the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and their work is done' that they may rest in God forever. **Lord, hear us.**

Celebrant: God of endless patience and peace, lead us ever more deeply into your loving plan for human happiness, that we may one day enter into the peace and joy of your Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**