

Prayers of the People

Let us pray to God, trusting in his mercy to all who call upon him in faith, responding to “Lord, in your mercy” with “Hear our prayer.”

Guard the Church from too much concern for lesser things... Grant us grace to keep reverence and order but to seek first the salvation of souls. [PAUSE]
Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

May those who work in the world of finance be just and compassionate in their dealings... Give them wisdom, and the grace to use their skill not as an end but for the welfare of all. [PAUSE]
Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Give us tolerance as we live and work with others ... Since none can live to themselves alone, help us to care for our community. [PAUSE]
Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on all distressed by debt or financial worry ... Turn by your grace the hearts of those who oppress the poor and needy. [PAUSE]
Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy, even at the last, on the greedy and unforgiving ... Help us so to forgive that in the hour of death we may be forgiven. [PAUSE]
Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

In the spirit of forgiving, as we have been forgiven, we offer these and all our prayers, through Christ our Lord.

AMEN