

Prayers of the People

Let us pray to God, whose saints have witnessed to his glory; responding to “Lord, in your mercy” with “... hear our prayer.”

May your church, built on the foundation of the saints, be faithful to the teaching of Jesus so that in all things it may reveal His likeness.

Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world that is so often deaf to the only teaching that can bring true joy. Grant to this generation the spirit that inspired the Saints, that all may walk in the way of righteousness.

Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Teach us to recognise the holiness of other people. Give to us, our families and friends, grace to live as Jesus taught his disciples.

Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on those who are in great tribulation, persecuted for the sake of the Gospel. Bring relief in their distress, and the assurance of your blessing for all who are steadfast in faith.

Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Grant to the faithful departed a share in the inheritance of the saints. As we offer our prayers for them, may their heavenly prayers avail for us as we continue on our earthly pilgrimage. Bring us at the last to the same blessedness.

Lord, in your mercy ... **hear our prayer.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the saints, we pray that our prayers may be sanctified in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.