

## **Prayers of the Faithful (1)**

Fr. David: We have heard God's voice in our Scriptures and we have pondered His message in our hearts. Let us now ask God to turn toward us and hear our prayers. Our response will be "Lord, hear our prayer."

**For the leaders of the Church and our government,  
that they will lead and guide us in the search for God and a good life,  
in the search for peace and joy, in the search for love among us...we  
pray to the Lord.**

**For all married people: for those married yesterday, for \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ married today, for those who will marry  
tomorrow...that they may savor the joy of being together, warm  
love, and children...a long life, rich wine and the blessing of  
friends...we pray to the Lord.**

**For the lonely old and the lonely young, for the hungry rich and the  
hungry poor, for the sick in body, mind and spirit, for the weakness  
which dwells in all of us...we pray to the Lord.**

**For our relatives and friends who walk with us on life's journey, and  
for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith,  
for the fulfillment of their unfulfilled desires...we pray to the Lord.**

Fr. David: Loving and gracious God, you are the source of every good gift and blessing. From our faith, we voice our needs and our prayers: through your goodness, hear our prayers, through Christ our Lord.

*(now, reader may return to their seat)*

## **Prayers of the Faithful (2)**

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**For our Holy Father on earth—Pope Francis—and all bishops and clergy: that they may lead us to deeper faith in God and a stronger love for others...we pray to the Lord.**

**For our president and all government officials: that they may be effective in achieving peace and eliminating poverty...we pray to the Lord.**

**For married persons: that they may continue to give, be able to forgive, and find happiness deepen with the passing of each day...we pray to the Lord.**

**For \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ now beginning their life together: that they may have divine assistance at every moment, the constant support of friends, the rich blessing of children, a warm love reaching out to others, and good health until a ripe old age...we pray to the Lord.**

**For those who are sick, lonely, discouraged, or oppressed: that they may be strengthened by God's help and aided by our charitable love...we pray to the Lord.**

**For those who have died, especially the relatives and friends of \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_: that they may enjoy perfect happiness in eternal life...we pray to the Lord.**

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## **Prayers of the Faithful (3)**

Fr. David: We have heard God's voice in our Scriptures and we have pondered His message in our hearts. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ have given their promises to each other and now turn to God our heavenly Father to again be faithful to His promise: to hear us and answer us. Our response will be "Lord, hear our prayer."

**For our Church—to keep the promise of salvation...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For our world—to keep the promise of peace...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For our country—to keep the promise of freedom...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For our parish—to keep the promise of discipleship...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For our hearts—to keep the promise of loving...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For our hands—to keep the promise of giving...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For our lives—to keep the promise of growing...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**For \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_—to keep the promise of marriage...  
We pray to the Lord.**

**Let us take time to remember our loved ones who have died:  
We pray to the Lord.**

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