

# *General Intercessions*

(CHOOSE ONE)

## General intercessions # 1

### **Priest:**

God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead:

For N. who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he/she may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For our brother/sister who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that he/she may be raised up on the last day.

We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness.

We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face.

We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For the family and friends of our brother/ sister N., that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus.


We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer. ]

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.

We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

### **Priest concludes:**

God, our shelter and our strength,  
you listen in love to the cry of your people:  
hear the prayers we offer for our departed brothers and sisters.  
Cleanse them of their sins  
and grant them the fullness of redemption.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.                     Amen.

## General intercessions # 2

### **Priest:**

God our Father has given us victory over sin and death through his Son, Jesus Christ. In our loss, let us turn to him and with confidence make our needs known to him.

For N., that Christ may show him/her mercy and grant him/her full pardon for any sin he/she may have committed.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For N. who during his/her life received in faith from the banquet of the altar. May he/she be raised up on the last day.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For N. who fought the good fight, finished the race and kept the faith; may he/she now receive from Christ eternal glory which He won for us.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For N. that God will reward him/her with peace and joy for the good he/she did during his/her life.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who grieve over his/her death; that through their faith in Christ their sorrow may soon be changed into joy.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who are without faith: that Christ may open their ears and hearts to receive the Good News of salvation.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For all of us gathered here: that we remember at all times, but especially at times of trouble and anxiety, that we are loved by God and that he will take care of us.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

For all the faithful departed, especially our relatives and friends and members of this community; that they may dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

We pray to the Lord.                    **R** Lord, hear our prayer.

### ***Priest concludes:***


Lord, give us the certainty that beyond death there is a life where broken things are mended and lost things are found; where there is rest for the weary and joy for the sad; where only love and goodness exists, and where we will meet again our loved ones.


We ask this through Christ who is Lord forever and ever.                    **R** Amen


## General intercessions # 3 (for a child)


### **Priest:**


Let us pray for N., his / her family and friends, and for all God's people.


For N. child of God,  
that he / she be held securely in God's loving embrace now and for all eternity.  
We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For N.'s family, especially his / her mother and father,  
[ his / her brother (s ) and sister (s ) ], that they feel the healing power of Christ in  
the midst of their pain and grief.  
We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For N.'s friends, those who played with him / her and those who cared for him /  
her, that they be consoled in their loss and strengthened in their love for one  
another.  
We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.


For all parents who grieve over the death of their children, that they be  
comforted in the knowledge that their children dwell with God.  
We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For children who have died of hunger and disease, that these little ones be seated  
close to the Lord at his heavenly table.  
We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

For the whole Church, that we prepare worthily for the  
hour of our death, when God will call us by name to pass from  
this world to the next.  
We pray to the Lord.                     Lord, hear our prayer.

### **Priest concludes:**

Lord God,  
you entrusted N. to our care and now you embrace him/her in your love.  
Take N. into your keeping together with all children who have died.  
Comfort us, your sorrowing servants, who seek to do your will  
and to know your saving peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.                     Amen.

## General intercessions # 4

## OPTIONAL

### **Priest:**

Brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his:

In baptism N. received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead him/her over the waters of death.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.

Our brother/ sister N. was nourished at the table of the Savior.


Welcome him/her into the halls of the heavenly banquet.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.

Many people die by violence, war, and famine each day. Show your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly these sins against your love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.

Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Give refreshment, rest, and peace to all whose faith is known to you alone.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.

The family and friends of N. seek comfort and consolation. Heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.


We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our brother/ sister N. Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of your Son's coming.

Lord, in your mercy:  Hear our prayer.

### **Priest concludes:**


Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased by the blood of the Lamb.

Forgive the sins of all who sleep in Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.  Amen.

**Priest:**

God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead:

Lord God, you promised eternal life to your faithful disciples. Grant salvation and peace this day to your servant N. We pray to the Lord.  Lord, hear our prayer.

Gracious Father, your love for your people is everlasting. Grant life in your Kingdom to all of our family members and friends who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

We pray to the Lord.  Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, you are present to us each day. Send your Spirit upon us that we may continue to make known your Son's good news and draw all people to fulfillment in you.

We pray to the Lord.  Lord, hear our prayer.

Loving Father, comfort us in our sorrow at the death of N., and grant peace to all of your Son's disciples.


We pray to the Lord.  Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us know add our intentions in silence (pause).

We pray to the Lord.  Lord, hear our prayer.

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