

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRIEST: With confidence in the Father's generous love for us
we now turn to him with our prayers.

READER: **For the Church that She, who has received life and love from God,
may be active as an instrument of unity amongst all Christians.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our world, that the peoples of every land, culture and faith
may enjoy secure and lasting peace.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For Christians and those facing persecution for their belief in God,
that they may be strengthened by God's Holy Spirit and kept in faith.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For individuals, groups or movements that promote war and conflict,
that Christ, the Prince of Peace, might turn hearts to a culture of life.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own parish community that we may always give
a generous and open welcome to all who search for truth.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are sick or housebound, elderly or bereaved,
that they may know Christ's comfort and peace.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: Gracious God,
we ask you to hear our prayers
and grant us all that is in accord with your will for us.
We ask this in his name, Christ Jesus our Lord.