

BIDDING PRAYERS: 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Priest:** Let us turn in prayer to Our Heavenly Father, who always feeds and sustains us on our journey, offering intercession for our Church, our society and all those who are in need.
- Reader:** For the Church; may we always celebrate with joy and reverence the wondrous gift of Our Lord's Eucharist as He nourishes his people with the fullness of his being.
Lord hear usLord graciously hear us
- Reader:** For all the peoples of earth, especially those in positions of authority; may they identify and recognise those who hunger and thirst for basic needs in life and strive to share in a just manner the world's limited resources.
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- Reader:** For those affected by the horrific events in Southport this week; may those who died rest in the loving arms of our Saviour; may the injured make a full recovery; may those who grieve be comforted and may those who are angry not respond with hatred and violence but rather seek to build a society of peace and harmony
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- Reader:** For those who suffer from spiritual hunger; may we reach out to them to encourage and inspire them by the way we live out our own Eucharistic lives so that they in turn may seek out the Bread of Life.
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- Reader:** For our parish community; may we celebrate the liturgy of the Eucharist with due reverence and honour so that we may receive the necessary nourishment to build up the Body of Christ in our midst.
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- Reader:** We pray for those intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend; also, all the faithful departed, especially Edna Cartwright, Rosemary Foster, Mary Miller, John Molyneaux, Phillip Mills and all those who have died recently; may they rest in peace and rise in glory.
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- Reader:** Let us pray for our own private intentions; (pause). We ask Mary, our Mother, to intercede on our behalf: **Hail Mary ...**
- Priest:** God Our Father, hear these petitions which your people place before you on this as we contemplate the mystery of the Body and Blood of your Son. May we grow in an ever deeper appreciation of His real presence among us. We make all our prayers through Christ Our Lord, Amen.