

BIDDING PRAYERS: 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Priest:** Let us pray now to our Heavenly Father, who comes with salvation to make us strong and cast out our fear, for our needs and those of the whole world.
- Reader:** For our Holy Father, Pope Francis; may his Apostolic visit to Asia over the past two weeks bring hope and faith to those countries which he visited and may the people he has met take heart from his Petrine proclamation of Jesus as the Son of the living God.
Lord hear usLord graciously hear us
- Reader:** For Christian people working in business and industry; may their practices be guided by an informed conscience and characterised by justice, integrity and awareness of those in need.
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- Reader:** For those who are in practical need of food, clothing or financial support; may we remember the words of St James in today's epistle: "faith without good works, is quite dead" and may we show our faith by reaching out to them in loving action.
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- Reader:** For all those who have returned to school and college recently; may they be encouraged to develop, not only their minds, but their whole being, so that they may be the people God has created them to be.
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- Reader:** For our parish community; may we be open to new and challenging ways of building the Kingdom of God 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, Nicholas Bajko, Margaret Harrison, Maureen Wood and Norman Podmore.
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
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- Reader:** Let us pray for our own private intentions; (pause). On this, Our Lady's Birthday, we ask Mary, our Mother, to intercede on our behalf: **Hail Mary ...**
- Priest:** Father, hear the prayers of your family gathered before you today, both those proclaimed aloud and those held in the depths of our hearts. We offer them all now upon your altar, through Christ Our Lord, Amen.