

BIDDING PRAYERS: 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Priest:** To the God of heaven, let us offer our petitions in the name of Jesus, who comes among us as our guest.
- Reader:** For the leaders of the Church, especially Leo our Pope, John our Bishop and all our clergy; may the Lord grant them grace and courage so that they may attend with compassion to the needs of all.
Lord hear usLord graciously hear us
- Reader:** For the Parish of the Holy Family in Gaza City and their Parish Priest Fr Gabriel; may they recover from the attack upon them this week and may the Lord bring his peace to dwell in the land where the Word was flesh.
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- Reader:** For those who are suffering from fatigue; may they find time for rest and recreation in their lives, especially during this holiday season and may they know that the Lord will help to renew them in body and soul, especially in the Eucharist.
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- Reader:** For peace and harmony in our families: as Martha and Mary welcomed Jesus at Bethany, may we too welcome Christ into our homes.
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- Reader:** For the growth of the gift of hospitality in our parish; may we welcome all people as Abraham and Sarah unknowingly welcomed God at the Oak of Mamre and may the grace of generosity bring unbounded graces.
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- Reader:** Let us remember those intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend. Also, all the Holy Souls especially those who died recently, including John Prescott, Bernard Walne, John Lees, and Doreen Gileney. 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 join with us in our prayers: **Hail Mary ...**
- Priest:** Father, in your gracious mercy, accept the prayers we offer and renew us by our celebration of this Holy Mass. We make our prayer through Christ, Our Lord. Amen