

**BIDDING PRAYERS:  
18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- Priest:** With the perseverance Jesus taught us, let us lift up our prayer, asking, seeking, knocking at the door of the God who gives us every good gift.
- Reader:** For the Salford Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and our parish pilgrimage to Rome; may the graces received be abundantly evident in the lives of those who journey there and those whose lives they touch.  
Lord hear us .....Lord graciously hear us
- Reader:** For the United Nations and other international agencies; may they engage unrelenting energy into the mediation of conflict and the preservation of peace.  
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- Reader:** For our care of the created world; may we recognise the human causes of climate change and seek to challenge ourselves and those in authority to make the necessary changes in the way we live our lives.  
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- Reader:** For the sick and housebound in our parish; may those who bring the Eucharist to them be true bearers of God into their homes showing them that God is always with them.  
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- Reader:** For the gift of re-creation; that people may have the opportunity of rest and renewal during this holiday season and be renewed in body and spirit to face the challenges of daily life with courage and faith.  
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- Reader:** Let us remember especially today the intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend.  
And also, all the Holy Souls and all those who have died recently, especially Bernard Walne, John Prescott, 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:** Heavenly Father, Father, giver of life and source of our hope, hear the prayers which we make in faith. We ask that you hear and grant them, through Christ Our Lord, Amen.