

**BIDDING PRAYERS:
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- Priest:** In today's 2nd reading, St Paul invites us to offer prayers for everyone, especially those in authority; with this in mind we place our intercessions before our Heavenly Father.
- Reader:** For Leo our Pope, John our Bishop and all leaders of the Church; may they be effective witnesses to honesty and justice, proclaiming the truth of the gospel in the public square.
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 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 the sick, especially those who suffer from anxiety or fear; may our community reach out to them and be a place where they feel the love and compassion of God and His Church.
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- Reader:** Let us remember especially today the intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend;
Also, all the Holy Souls, especially those who have died recently, including, Peter Smith, Michael Scahill and Bill Warbrick. 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, hear these prayers which your people place before you on this day. Help us to recognise your presence and action in our lives. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, **Amen.**