

Sample Prayers of the Faithful

(Priest or leader)

With all our heart and mind let us pray to the Lord. Let us lay our requests before Him, saying "Hear our prayer".

(For the needs of the Church)

Inspire all those who lead and serve in this church. May they know your guidance and direction.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Help us to be understanding and forgiving of all those we encounter.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Show us how to serve one another, to offer love, care and support.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

(For the world)

Guide all those who are called to lead and advocate in the world, may they carry love with them always.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Inspire our leaders, teachers, doctors, social workers and counsellors to be bringers of hope in all situations.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Protect all those who carry peace to other nations. Bless the food, care and shelter they provide.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

(For those in need)

Comfort those who live with grief. Help them see the light of heaven.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Come embrace those in pain and physical suffering. May they feel you close to them.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Watch over all those who feel isolated and alone. Calm their fears and lead them into peace and freedom.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

(For the local community)

Strengthen and encourage all those who seek to serve and protect the vulnerable.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Lead us to be generous with our time, possessions and money.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For those who have lost loved ones recently, comfort them in their grief and heal the broken-hearted.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Finally, we bring to mind any in our community that we know to be need. *(Pause for a few seconds.)* May love and goodness fill their lives.

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

(The Priest or leader concludes with a suitable collect)

for further reading:-

http://www.lords-prayer-words.com/topics/prayers_of_the_faithful.html