

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**CYCLE B**

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** The Heart of Christ goes out to his flock on earth. In the name of that Good Shepherd, let us ask the Father to fulfill our special needs.

Our response is: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. For all the pastors of the Church, especially Pope Francis and Bishop Paul, that they may never let the flock of Christ be scattered, but gather it together in his name, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For those entrusted with passing on the doctrine of the Church, that they may nourish us with truth and wisdom, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For the teachers of our children, that they may impart knowledge and truth with conviction and responsibility, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For those at this time who are on retreat, that they may "come away" and "rest for a while" in the silent peace of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For the souls of the faithful departed, that the blood of Christ may win them eternal peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Father of the flock, hear the prayers of your people, gathered at the banquet you have prepared and ready to offer the sacrifice of your son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.