

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE A
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Let us ask our heavenly Father to grant us the gift of discerning judgement so that we may find the pearls of the Kingdom of God.

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

1. For our Holy Father Pope Francis, our Bishop Paul, and all bishops, that they may work with discernment for the coming of God's kingdom on earth. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For the leaders of nations, that they may govern with wisdom from above so that the world may enjoy justice, peace and happiness. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For those working for a fair distribution of wealth, food and resources, that they may be guided by God's wisdom and integrity. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For those who try hard to unearth the hidden treasures of personal faith and prayer, that the Lord may make their efforts fruitful. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For the children, parents, resource persons and volunteers participating in our Summer Camp, that as they learn to make a difference by being and working 'together', the Lord may help them to find the pearls of their talents. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: God of provident love, we thank you for calling us into your kingdom; you make all things work to their perfection. We confidently place all our prayers before you through Christ our Lord.

Response: *Amen.*