

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE C
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: We may never come to God's table relying on our own merits; yet we respond with faith to his invitation to all peoples to enter his kingdom. With that humility, let us offer our prayers.

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

1. For all members of the holy Church of God, that through suffering and endurance they may come to the feast of the kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For the governments of the nations, that they will respect religious freedom and allow their people to hear Christ's invitation, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For those who have lost a desire for the things of heaven, that they may regain the fervor of faith and the joy of the sacraments, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For all gathered at this eucharistic altar, that we may finally come to take our place at the feast in the kingdom of God, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For the dead, that they may find eternal life in Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Lord and Father of all peoples, we make these prayers in faith, seeking to respond to the invitation of your Son, our only Savior, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.