

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE C
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: God instructs us through his prophets, his apostles, and his own anointed Son. We pray for strength to persevere in God's eyes.

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

1. That those anointed to lead the Church, especially Pope Francis, Bishop Paul, and all priests, may they be prophets of truth and justice. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That the word of God in scripture and tradition may be "spirit and life" for people today. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That captives of drug or alcohol addiction may find freedom. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That, as many parts of one body, we may work for the poor and marginalised in our community. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. That during the visit and stay of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, God may bless him, protect him and use him as a holy instrument to convey God's message of fraternal love, peace, joy and tolerance to all peoples. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Father, hear the prayers of your Church, one body, filled with one Spirit, one people, called by your beloved Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: *Amen.*