

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: God is our stronghold and our refuge. Let us pray to this loving Father for all our needs.

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

1. For the leaders of our Church, especially our Holy Father Pope Francis and Bishop Paul, that may they continue to guide the Church with eloquence and love, Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That Christians elected to represent us may be strong in the courage of Christ, who was rejected by his own people. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That we may not rely on earthly things, but place our hope in the God who never fails us. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That all parishioners and loved ones who have died may meet God face-to-face on their journey to eternal life. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. That during the visit of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, God may grant him the eloquence to preach God's word righteously so that all peoples may experience a transformation and live the virtues of tolerance, faith, hope and love. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Almighty Father, hear the prayers of the people, you gathered at this altar, and made one in faith, hope, and love. We ask this, through Christ our Lord.

Response: Amen.