

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**CYCLE A**  
**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** In the temptations of Jesus Christ, we see the persistent power of evil. But he vanquished our foe, and so we offer our prayers, confidently asking for his strength.

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

1. That Pope Francis and all bishops and priests proclaim the true message, refute falsehood, and resist temptation, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That every person may hear the call to receive Christ's free gift of grace, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That those in need of work and financial help will receive them, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That we will know the mercy of God as we confess our sins, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. That the dead may be cleansed from all their sins, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Hear the prayers of your family, gracious Father, as we begin our Lenten season, and help us to be faithful. We ask this, through Christ our Lord.

Response: *Amen.*