

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**CYCLE C**  
**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** The coming of the Lord is near. We have been encouraged to ask for anything we need, “with prayer and thanksgiving.” Therefore, let us pray to the Father.

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

1. For Pope Francis, Bishop Paul, and all pastors of our Church, that they may guide us with sound doctrine, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For those who teach the Catholic Faith, that they may make Christ’s words and deeds known to the people with accuracy and enthusiasm, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For those who live in poverty, that they may know the comforting message of the Word, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For the people in our community, that they may be happy, always happy in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For the souls of the faithful departed, that they may come to eternal life with Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Most loving Father, hear the prayers of your people. Guide the world in true peace, and let us serve you in faith. Amen.