

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
CYCLE C
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: The story of the prodigal son expresses in a simple but deep way the reality of conversion, that is, the working of love and the presence of mercy in the human world. It moves us to hasten in prayer to the Father.

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

1. That guided by the Pope and Bishops, our priests may constantly welcome those who repent and seek reconciliation. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That acts of charity will bring food to the victims of famine or economic crisis. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That families divided over issues of inheritance or relationships may choose forgiveness and reconciling love. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That those who imagine that they do not need the sacrament of reconciliation may be moved to humble repentance. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. That the departed may taste and see the eternal goodness of God. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Almighty God, welcome the prayers of sinners, returning in devoted love to your unchanging mercy. We ask this, through Christ our Lord.

Response: *Amen.*