

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
CYCLE B
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: “The Mother of God” is Mary’s greatest title. In humility and faithfulness, she gave birth to her son, the eternal Son of God, the Word-made-flesh. Let us join her as we come to the Father in prayer.

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

1. For the leaders of our Church, especially for our Holy Father Pope Francis, for our Bishop Paul, and for all the faithful and religious, that Mary’s example of humility may inspire them to lead a life of service to all and obedience to God. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For the Church, that inspired by Mary, we may faithfully bring forth Jesus Christ in our world. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For all peoples under the care of our blessed mother Mary, may they experience peace and joy. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For the sick, the poor, the persecuted and abandoned ones, that they may be consoled and blessed by our Mother’s powerful intercession. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For all nations and rulers, especially for the United Arab Emirates, our President - His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan; the vice-president and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai - His Highness Sheik Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed forces - His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan and all those in authority, that they may be blessed to lead the country to prosperity and peace. Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: God our loving Father, hear the prayers of your people, gathered to honour the most holy Mother of your Son, our Saviour, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: *Amen.*