

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

ASCENSION [YEAR C]

Celebrant: Let us bring our needs before our heavenly Father,
through Christ our ascended Lord
who fills heaven and earth with his goodness.

Together we pray, saying: Lord, hear our prayer

1. That Christ's Body, the Church
may continue his saving work
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and be heralds of his Gospel
to the ends of the earth.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

2. That leaders may be guided
by the commandments of Christ, the Ruler of all,
to exercise their authority for the common good
and lift up the poor and marginalized.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

3. That those who have lost hope
due to pain, isolation or difficulty,
may place their trust
in the promises of Christ, the faithful Mediator.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

4. That those in any kind of need, whether spiritual or material,
may experience the infinite power
that Christ continues to exercise for us,
especially through the sacraments.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

5. That the departed,
who wait in hope for salvation,
may inherit the rich glories promised to the saints
when Christ returns again in glory.
Let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer*

Celebrant: Lord God, listen to our prayers
and pour out the power of your grace
upon the whole Body of the Church
through its exalted Head, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Response: *Amen*