

Dear People of God: It was our Lord himself who said, “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.” Let us pray, then, for our brothers and sisters who struggle this day.

We pray for all those who have died, remembering especially *N*. May their rest be this day in peace, and their dwelling place in the Paradise of God.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who bear the symptoms of this painful disease, especially *N*. Relieve their pain, guard them from all danger, and restore to them your gifts of gladness and strength.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who struggle with other illnesses and infirmities, especially *N*. Remember them in your mercy and ease their suffering.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who love and cherish these souls, especially *N*. Comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful and fill their hearts with your peace which passes understanding.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who provide life-saving care: for doctors, nurses, and those who enable them to do the work you have given them to do, remembering especially *N*. Strengthen their minds, ease their hearts, and rejuvenate their spirits.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who continue to work, especially *N*. Protect them as they serve our communities, and bless them with wisdom, patience, and courage.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who feel the pressures of economic turmoil, especially *N*. Shelter them under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those whose lives are hindered by fear, worry, or anxiety. Ease their souls and quiet their minds.

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the people of this *Village*. Deliver them from all infirmities, and kindle in their hearts a knowledge to know and to love you.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

And we pray, O Lord, for ourselves. Be our light in the darkness, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

O merciful Father, who has taught us in your Holy Word that you do not willingly afflict or grieve the children of God; Look with mercy upon the sorrows of your servants for whom our prayers are offered. Remember them, O Lord, nourish their souls with patience, comfort them with a sense of your goodness, lift up your countenance upon them, and give them peace. **Amen**

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives; So guide us in the work we do, that we do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. **Amen.**