

Prayer of the Church
Sixth Sunday of Easter
26 May 2019



In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the saving peace of Christ among the nations, for the Church here and throughout the world, and for those who serve her in Christ's name, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the grace of the Spirit to awaken us and all people to repentance and faith, and for courage to sustain us in the faith through days of trouble and trial, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, for zeal for the house of God and the things of God, for peace in our hearts and for peace in our days, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who serve us in Christ's name and deliver to us the fruits of His redeeming work, and for those who will hear and heed His call to service in this generation, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For good leaders and good government in this and in every place; for police, emergency personnel and disaster-relief workers; and for the members of the armed forces who defend us, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For a long memory to recall those who gave the full measure of their devotion to our country and served faithfully until death in the protection of our freedom and in the defense of our land, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the graduates who begin a new chapter of their lives, that they may find a place and a purpose to use their gifts and employ their knowledge for the good of others, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the lonely, for the troubled in mind and heart, for the poor, for the homeless and for those who have lost hope and become prisoners to despair, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the ill, the grieving and the dying, especially for those we name with our voices [*including _____*] and in our hearts ... and for the grace to sustain them in their hour of need, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our communion this day, that we may receive for our good the precious gifts of Christ's body and blood in His Holy Communion, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the traveler in their journeys, that they may go in safety and arrive home again in peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who bring gifts of worship and praise, and for the tithes and offerings given in thanksgiving for the glory of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the faithful who have gone before us with the sign of faith, that the Lord may soon bring us to be with them and all those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**