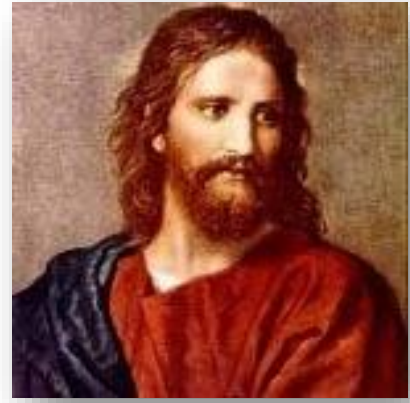


PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL



Fourth Sunday – Ordinary Time

Celebrant: ... *Although we may lose sight of God, his attention is always upon us and we can place our petitions before him with trust in his loving care.*

Reader: ... *We ask God's protection for the life of God in all creation, in bird and beast and every growing thing, in every human heart. . . Lord, hear us.*

Rd. ... *We pray for those in Church and State who have authority over others: may they use their power for good, give a voice to those who are oppressed, and enable all who are poor and weak to flourish . . . Lord, hear us.*

Rd. ... *We pray for all who are sick and in our Parish. Lord send your healing power to all in their need. Lord, hear us.*

Rd. ... *We ask God's mercy for those who have finished their earthly journey especially for: Sean Gibbons, John Smith, Martin White and Patricia White, may they be brought home to the company of the risen Christ. . . Lord, hear us.*

Celebrant: ... *Creator God, author of all things, we rejoice in the knowledge of your love and compassion. May our prayers always reflect our gratitude for your mercy towards us. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.*