

## Prayer of the Faithful



Easter – Fourth Sunday

**Celebrant:** ... *Each one of us is called by God to share in his life. We have heard his invitation again today. We now pray for what we need so that we can respond with faith to his call.*

**Reader:** ... *We pray for Pope Francis that he may be a good shepherd to the Church and lead it to ever greater unity and love. . . Lord, in your mercy*  
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**Rd.** ... *We pray for the Church around the world, that it may manifest the reign of God through deeds of love and service. ... Lord, in your mercy.*

**Rd.** . . . *We pray that those who govern will use their authority to ensure that religion is given its rightful place in discourse. . . Lord, in your mercy.*

**Rd.** ... *We pray for all parents, that they may create prayerful, healing, and loving families that foster openness to receiving God's call. ... Lord, in your mercy.*

**Rd.** ... *We pray that today's youth may show generosity to Jesus' call and make wise decisions in choosing their vocation in life, and be open to the possibility of priesthood or religious life. . . Lord, in your mercy.*

**Rd.** ... *We pray for those who have gone before us in the way of faith, we remember especially: Caroline and Andrew McGowan, Lynn Sellers and Mary Antony: May their loyalty and service to Christ be rewarded with everlasting peace. ... Lord, in your mercy.*

**Celebrant:** ... *Heavenly Father, as we journey through life, help us to hear your voice, obey your commands, and follow in your footsteps. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.*