

## **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

*24<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Ordinary Time*



**Celebrant:** ... Father in Heaven, your promise of compassion gives strength to those who suffer. In trust we offer our prayer.

**Reader:** ... We pray that the Church may be a beacon of light and a sign of hope for all who are suffering . . . Lord, hear us.

**Rd.** ... We pray for those who care for the sick and the needy. May the Lord give them the strength they need day by day. . . Lord, hear us.

**Rd.** ... We pray for ourselves that we may face our own difficulties with realism and with faith. May we learn to live each day according to the Gospel and follow the Lord. . . Lord, hear us.

**Rd.** ... We pray for those who have no faith, for those whose lives have no meaning and no purpose, for the depressed and those in despair. . . Lord, hear us.

**Rd.** ... We pray for our deceased relatives and friends, especially for Lynn Sellers, Paula Collins, John and Lillian: May they be at peace in the Kingdom of Heaven. . . Lord, hear us.

**Celebrant;** ... Lord our God, you alone hold the key of life. Help us to see your hand in all our journeys through life and to hold fast to you, especially in time of trial. We ask this through Christ our Lord.