### Prayer of the Faithful

# 4th Sunday of Easter, Year C

### Presider

No prayer goes unheeded, no tear unnoticed. We ask Jesus, the Good Shepherd, to bring our prayers of petition to our heavenly Father.

### Reader

We pray for Pope Francis and all the bishops and priests of the Church. May they be strengthened and enlightened to care for their flock as Jesus, the Good Shepherd, has showed them.

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, we pray that today’s generation of young people may be inspired to reach out and serve God’s people.

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all mothers on this Mother’s Day. May their unconditional love for their families reflect the love that comes from the Spirit.

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We pray for our faith community. May we always be ready to hold out a helping hand to those in need.

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We pray for the sick of our parish and for those who care for them.  
We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at his time. May they share the fullness of God’s life promised by the Good Shepherd, who leads them home.

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**Lord, hear our prayer.**

### Presider

O God, our Good Shepherd, we fear no evil, for you are at our side. Hear our prayers for those who seek your justice and healing, through Christ, our risen Lord.  
**Amen.**