## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL (GENERAL INTERCESSIONS)

Priest: Brothers and sisters. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his. Lector: The response to the following petitions is "Lord, hear our prayer." Lector: In Baptism \_\_\_\_\_ received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness Now and lead him/her over the waters of death. We pray to the Lord. Our brother/sister was nourished at the table of the Savior, Welcome him/her into the halls of the heavenly banquet. We pray to the Lord. Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son. We pray to the Lord. Many people die by violence, war, and famine each day. Show your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly these sins against your love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace. We pray to the Lord. Those who trusted in the Lord now sleep in the Lord. Give refreshment, rest, and peace to all who faith is know to you alone. We pray to the Lord. The family and friends of \_\_\_\_\_\_ seek comfort and consolation. Heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief. We pray to the Lord. We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our brother/ sister \_\_\_\_\_. Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of your Son's coming. We pray to the Lord. Priest: Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased by the blood of the Lamb. Forgive the sins of all who sleep in

Christ and grant them a place in the kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Other Possible Prayers of the Faithful - Funeral Mass

The following are suggestions only. Please pick up to six (6) only.

The response to the petitions is: LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Let us pray for N. In baptism he/she died with Christ, may he/she now share in fullness of his resurrection. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

God is full of mercy and compassion. May he forgive N. any sins he/she committed through human frailty. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For the sorrowing family, relatives and friends of N. that you may find strength and consolation in your Christian faith and in the love and support of this community. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who mourn N's death (especially \_\_\_\_); that you may find strength and consolation in the hope that we have through the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

God of all consolation, help us to comfort one another in our grief, finding light in time. We pray for all those we have loved who have died. Lord give them reward of their goodness. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who care for the sick and dying, especially those who cared for N. during his/her illness. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all parents who grieve over the death of their children; that they may be comforted in the knowledge that they rest in God. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

May the prayers of Mary, the Mother of God, who stood by the cross as her son was dying, help those who mourn and be with all of us in our time of need. We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those here today, that our memory of N., whom we loved, inspires us with a renewed love for all of our sisters and brothers. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all of us here today and for all members of our Church; that we may be prepared for hour of our own death, when God will call us by name, to pass from this world to the next. We pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Church may be a comforting witness to Christ, our resurrection and our life. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who are burdened by their loss may be blessed with courage, strength, and patience. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who mourn the loss of N. may be embraced by consolation and peace. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

That N. and all who have died may be judged in mercy on the last day, and may all of us, the living and the dead, rise in glory and grace on that great day. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For the prayers we hold in our hearts, united in the Holy Spirit with those of Mary the Mother of God, our patron N., and all the saints in light. We pray to the lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord God of justice and mercy, hear our prayers. Give our beloved dead the reward of their labors and grant us your consolation in our loss. We ask this through Christ our Lord.