**THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

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| **Date:** | **1st November** |
| **Day:** | **All Saints Day** |

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| *Priest's introduction* | Dear brothers and sisters, on this feast day,<br>together with our patron saints who lovingly intercede for us, reminding us that we are never alone on our journey,<br>let us bring our prayers to God our Father. |
| *Intention 1* | For our bishop, Stephen, that as he embarks on his ministry in our diocese, God will bestow upon him the abundant graces needed to guide his flock along the path of truth and salvation.<br>***Pause***<br>*Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer* |
| *Intention 2* | For our leaders, that they may wisely steward our natural resources and resist the temptation of selfishness, striving always strive to serve the common good and uplift those in need, with compassion and solidarity.<br>***Pause***<br>Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer |
| *Intention 3* | For all who mourn the loss of their loved ones, that God may bring them comfort and inspire their hearts with the hope of heaven.<br>***Pause***<br>Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer |
| *Intention 4* | For ourselves, that we may follow in the footsteps of the saints, embrace peace and unity on Earth, and strive to be among those who will see God's face at the end of our lives.<br>***Pause***<br>Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer |
| *Intention 5* | For our departed brothers and sisters, that our merciful God will welcome them into the company of Mary, Joseph and all the saints, and grant them eternal life.<br>***Pause***<br>Lord, in your mercy – hear our prayer |
| | **Let us ask Our Lady to join her prayers with ours as we say: Hail Mary…** |
| *Priest's prayer* | Heavenly Father, as we joyfully celebrate the countless saints interceding for us, may we receive from You the abundant mercy we always long for, through Christ our Lord. Amen. |