

General intercessions

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Celebrant:

By baptism we are made the Temple of the Holy Spirit. Gathered in union with the whole Church, we pray for our needs and those of all God's people.

Reader:

For Pope Leo, and for all our bishops and clergy; that they be given the grace to build up the Body of Christ through prayer, preaching, and the Sacraments.

Lord, hear us.

For all who hold public office in our country, that they may understand their duties and protect the legitimate rights of all, beginning with the right to life.

Lord, hear us.

For all believers who lack a church, who suffer in exile or who are persecuted in non-Christian lands, that they may find a safe place in which to worship.

Lord, hear us.

For the conversion of all who do not yet believe in Christ, that the Good Shepherd may call their names and they may heed His voice.

Lord, hear us.

For all who remain faithful in their trials of sickness or suffering; that they may come to be rewarded in the heavenly Jerusalem.

Lord, hear us.

For our deceased family, friends and benefactors, that the Lord may bless them through this Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Lord, hear us.

Celebrant:

Let us seek the prayers of Mary, Queen of Apostles, as we say, *Hail, Mary...*

Heavenly Father, as you hear our prayers, we beg you to make us ever grateful for the gift of the Church, and to deepen our unity with Christ our Head. Through Christ our Lord.