

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 26TH, 2020

Presider Sacristy Lector

Presider: **Let us now bring to God our prayers and petitions.**

Lector: For the Church: that we may place a supreme value on seeking the reign of God and utilize our talents to deepen our relationship with Him.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: For all who are searching for meaning: that God may guide them, grant healing to those wounded, and help them to encounter a community where the Gospel is lived.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: For all who are engaged in evangelization and outreach: that they may cast a wide net through offering hospitality and true witness of the Good News to all they encounter.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: For all who are working to defeat the coronavirus: that God may give strength to all healthcare workers, insight to those researching treatments and cures, and patience to all who face daily challenges because of the disease.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: For all who are working for justice: that God may help them to remind society of the truth about human dignity and inspire their words to unlock hearts and move people to action.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: For all who are grieving the death of a loved one: that God may comfort them, ease their pain, give them the strength to face each day, and fill their hearts with peace.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: For our deceased loved ones, that they may be brought to the eternal light and joys of Heaven.

We pray to the Lord. R/. Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider: We remember in a special way the repose of the souls of our parishioners, families, and friends, and for the Intentions of the People of St. Joseph.

**[The Presider now invites the assembly to join in saying the Parish Prayer found in the Worship Aid]
Oh Lord, You are the Potter, we are the clay. Design us to reflect Your glory as we rebuild Your church. Fashion our ears to hear new ideas. Shape our hearts to appreciate other's creativity and insight. Form our eyes to see Jesus in each other. Mold our community to be united in our pilgrimage. Help us build a place of refuge, a holy temple, with Jesus as the cornerstone. May we work together with love and care, ever mindful that the spirit, not the structure, is the essence of the design. May we come together as a family of one, to be guided by the Father, Holy Spirit, and Son. Amen.**