

Universal Prayer

Week One

For those who lead the Church, especially our Pope, Bishops and priests. In their ministry may they always be aware of the needs of all those they serve. Lord hear us.

For all Christians as they travel through this season of Lent. May they take time in their lives to come closer to Christ by emptying themselves of worldly temptations and listening to his call. Lord hear us.

Week Two

For a conversion of heart and mind. May we listen carefully to the word of God over this Lenten period, to hear and act on what is being asked of us. Lord hear us.

For the transformation of our spiritual lives. May we be open to the light of Christ that leads to understanding and wisdom. Lord hear us.

Week Three

For those who are living with drought and lack of water. May they find the assistance they need to develop new water sources and use the water to develop a better life for themselves and others. Lord hear us.

For those who long for the water of life.

May we be drawn each day closer to Christ the living water, bringing about conversion and peace in our lives. Lord hear us.

Week Four

For the sight to see our path to renewal clearly.

May we not be blinded by ignorance and inflexibility, but rejoice in the opportunities given to us by God. Lord hear us.

For each of us as we come closer to Easter.

May we look deep within ourselves to truthfully see those things we need to repair in our relationship with God and others. Lord hear us.

Week Five

For the church.

Over the coming Easter season may we celebrate the hope of resurrection offered to us through everlasting life. Lord hear us.

For those who are searching for the truth.

May we share the joy revealed in Christ's example of raising Lazarus from the dead and reflect on his redeeming quality as we place our trust in you. Lord hear us.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

For the wisdom to understand the gift given to us by Christ.

As we enter Holy Week may the passion, death and resurrection of Christ lead us to a deeper recognition of what we have been given. Lord hear us.

For those people who do not understand the meaning of Easter.

May we, as the followers of Christ, bring them to the truth of the first Easter by our actions and words. Lord hear us.