

The Prayers of the People

16 July 2023

The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine

Lector

In peace, let us pray to the Lord saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

With Anglicans across the world, let us pray for the Anglican Church of Canada. With the other Episcopalian in the Diocese of New York, let us pray for the Mid-Hudson Executive Committee. Let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

Let us pray for our Sisters and Brothers in Islam as this week they mark the beginning of their new year. For harmony and mutual respect among all the children of Abraham and Sarah, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

Let us pray for every nation: people of every tribe and tongue. Especially, let us continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia, for Israel and Palestine, for Sudan, for every place and every people threatened by war and the rumors of war, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

Let us pray for our everyone everywhere struggling under the heavy burden of the heat. Let us be mindful of the people of the American Southwest. Let us be mindful of the people who live on the streets of this great city unsheltered from sun and heat. Let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

Let us pray for all the many others who suffer. We have been asked this week to hold in prayer JoAnn Bell, Alonzo Jackson and Jace; Thurber Chatfield, Giancarlo Ampuero, Bob Carey; Jacqueline Wilson and Weston DuPlessis. For whom else, troubled in body or mind or spirit, should the Church pray today? Let us name them aloud. *(20 seconds of silence is kept.)* Let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

Let us pray in thanksgiving for all that is good in our lives. Today, we give special thanks for Buddy's ministry to us and with us. We give thanks for the ministry of hospitality offered to us by the members of the Congregation of Saint Saviour. And we call to mind and speak aloud the other reasons we have to be grateful so the Church can join us in our prayers of thanks. *(20 seconds of silence is kept.)* Let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lector

Let us pray for those who have died, particularly Harold Bauman and Doug McTavish; Mimi Sammis and David Stuart Babin. As always, we hold before God those whose earthly remains rest in our columbarium. For whom else among the dead should we pray today? Let us speak their names. *(20 seconds of silence is kept.)* Let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, hear our prayer.

The ***Presider*** bids the Confession:

Let us pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Extended silence:

Celebrant

God of all mercy

Assembly

we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will.

Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Assembly

Amen.

The Celebrant bids the peace