

## **PRAYERS FOR NINETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Let us pray to the Lord, the generous giver of all our needs, for the Church and for the world.

Gracious God grant that the Church may have grace to feed all who are hungry for the word of salvation. Hear our prayers for the leaders of your Church; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Geoffrey, Abp of Adelaide and Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia; Philip, Archbishop of Melbourne, and for Genieve our Bishop. Through the divine feeding of the Holy Communion, keep your people faithful in obedience and untiring in works of mercy.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God may all that tends to goodness and love in the world be recognised and developed; give to the rulers of the nations and to all in authority the understanding that there is a greater kingdom than their own, and a richer treasure than their wealth, so that life for all shall be more abundant.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious come to the aid of the multitudes who wander in the wilderness places of the world, unsatisfied but not knowing what they are seeking. Give to those in authority hearts of compassion not to turn away those who need their care.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, bless our prayer and mission partner the Mission to Seafarers Victoria. Inspire staff, volunteers and supporters to give freely of your gifts of wisdom, compassion and understanding to all who need them. May seafarers find a warm welcome, a keen will to help and serve, and in everything a love that honours your holy name.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God make us more hospitable in our homes, ready to meet the bodily and emotional needs of those who come into our lives.

Bless the helpers in this community who feed the hungry and bring food to those who cannot prepare it for themselves.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God have mercy on the hungry, the victims of famine and all who always have too little food for their needs. Give power to the agencies that work for their relief.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God hear our prayers for those in need, in body, mind and spirit, as we name before you:

Frank Cichello, Tom, Pat Oswald, Caroline Miley, Mary Hoy;  
heal each according to their need.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God we pray for all who were sustained in their earthly bodies and have now tasted the fullness of God's as we remember those who have died as a consequence of the pandemic and those who have died in recent days;

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and those who have died alone and afraid;

We give thanks that they rejoice with the great multitude of the faithful departed as we remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time;

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Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord,  
**and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

May our prayers be heard through the compassion of Christ.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**