

**General Intentions**  
**May 12, 2019**

For the Church: that we may recognize the voice of the Lord in our lives, distinguish it from the many other sounds which demand our time and attention, and follow the invitations of Jesus to a fuller life.... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For freedom from fear: that we may rely upon the Spirit's strength as we face challenges and negative messages in our work and society .... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For healing of the divisions in the human family: that God will heal the wounds of racism and ethnic discrimination so that there may be one crowd of people from every land offering praise and worship to God with a common voice.... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For all Mothers and those who have been like a mother to us: that God will bless and strengthen them and inspire us to greater love by their witness of love and concern.... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For the grace to share our gifts: that we may place our gifts at the service of others for God's glory even if they are not accepted .... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For all who are graduating this spring: that God will guide them in using their gifts and talents so that they will enrich the world and be instruments of hope and peace.... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For all who are struggling with addictions: that Christ may be their way to freedom and wholeness .... **Let us pray to the Lord.**

For our faithfully departed brothers and sisters: that they may be granted peace and rest in Christ, especially our mothers, grandmothers, aunts and any other woman who has shown us motherly love.... **Let us pray to the Lord.**