

## Prayer of the Faithful (9 March 2025)

*Priest:* Priest: As we begin the season of Lent, we give thanks to God the Father for this time of grace. Let us ask him to cleanse our hearts and strengthen us in love through the Holy Spirit. Our response is: **Give us Lord your Holy Spirit.**

1. The Word of the Lord is life; may our lives be nourished and sustained by every word spoken by him. [*pause for 10 seconds*] Let us pray to the Lord.
2. In the life of Jesus God the Father has shown us the way of love; may he teach us to follow this way in the great and small events of life. [*pause for 10 seconds*] Let us pray to the Lord.
3. Let us ask the Lord for a spirit of self-denial, may he move us to help our brothers and sisters in their need. [*pause for 10 seconds*] Let us pray to the Lord.

*Wait in the sanctuary for the priest to conclude the Prayer of the Faithful:*

The priest will add the final intercession for the faithful departed, mentioning names. Then he will conclude the Prayer of the Faithful...*through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

After this, all readers may return to their seats.

\*\*\*At the same time as the readers are coming down, two people go right away to the bread and wine in order to bring them up to the priest.