

PRIEST

Dear friends, we thank God today for bringing Mary's life of faith to heavenly fulfilment. With her unbounded trust in God's power and goodness, let us pray for all our needs.

READER

1. We pray for the church as the pilgrim people of God. May all the baptised look to Mary as Mother of the Church and sign of their glorious destiny. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for those for whom Mary prayed – the lowly, the hungry, and all in need of mercy. May God use us to do great things for them. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for scientists around the world, especially those working on remedies for the COVID pandemic and the climate crisis. May their endeavours keep all people safe. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for community groups providing shelter for homeless people and refugees. May this dedicated service give many the security they need for a fresh start in life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for the members of institutes of consecrated life inspired by Mary's life of faith. May their lives testify to God's mercy and compassion. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for the recently deceased . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time. May they be raised to glory with Mary and all the saints. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Holy God, you show the greatness of your power by raising up the lowly and filling the hungry with good things. Help us bless the world with your mercy. We ask this through Christ our Lord.