

23 October 2022
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

INTRODUCTION:

World Mission Sunday is a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. We stand in humble supplication before God who wants us to keep the faith, fight the good fight and finish the race as His witnesses in the world.

READINGS:

Reading I: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
Resp. Psalm: 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
Reading II: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

CELEBRANT: The Lord is close to the broken hearted and He saves those whose spirits are crushed. With faith in His enduring love and mercy we surrender our needs to Him. Our response is: **O LORD HEAR US WE PRAY**

1. That Pope Francis, the Bishops, Clergy, Religious and the Lay Faithful may witness to the love and mercy of God in the words and actions... we pray to the Lord...
2. That political leaders and policy framers may pay attention to the needs of those struggling to survive in the world, like the poor, the orphans, the widows and the marginalised of society... we pray to the Lord...
3. That like St. Paul we may all discharge our responsibilities as witnesses of faith in the world affected by violence, selfishness, poverty and injustice... we pray to the Lord...
4. That we may collaborate with our non-Christian brothers and sisters in bringing the light of Jesus into the darkness of ignorance, self-centredness, prejudice and intolerance... we pray to the Lord...
5. That God may listen to the prayers we make for our personal needs and intentions...
(Pause for 7 seconds)...we pray to the Lord...

CELEBRANT: We thank You Lord for calling us to be Your witnesses in the world and for listening to the prayers we have made with faith in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.