



23 February 2025  
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C



### **Introduction:**

We gather around the Eucharistic table in worship of a merciful God and to be nourished by the body and blood of His Son Jesus as his loving, forgiving and generous disciples.

**First Reading:** 1 Sam 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-33  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10, 12-13  
**Second Reading:** 1 Cor 15: 45-49  
**Gospel:** Luke 6: 27-38

### **Prayers of the Faithful:**

**Celebrant:** Our Lord is compassionate and gracious and listens to the prayers we offer with faith in His mercy. **Response:** **MERCIFUL LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**

For our Holy Father Pope Francis, that God, the Divine Physician, may extend His healing hand upon him, restore his health, and grant him renewed strength to continue his mission of shepherding the Church... we pray...

For the Church: That the Holy Spirit may continue to guide and strengthen the Church, granting wisdom to her leaders, unity among her members, and a deep commitment to proclaiming the Gospel with love and truth... we pray...

For world leaders; that their policies and programmes may always be based on the Gospel values of love, forgiveness and sharing for the well-being of all the people entrusted to their care... we pray...

For each one of us here; that we may be Spirit-filled witnesses of God's love and mercy in the relationships we share and reflect His generosity in our outreach to the poor and those struggling to survive... we pray...

For our families; that we may grow in love and respect for each other and always be forgiving and merciful as we reflect the generosity of God in our relationships... we pray...

For the celebrations of the Jubilee year; that as pilgrims of hope we may propagate peace, love, forgiveness and mercy to bring healing to our world... we pray...

For the personal prayers we now offer in faith; that God may listen to the needs of our hearts and give us His peace... (pause for 7 seconds) ... we pray...

**Celebrant:** We thank You O Lord for listening to the prayers we have made with faith in your generous love and mercy through Christ our Lord. Amen.