

## Please include these Prayers of the Faithful in your celebrations, during the Extraordinary Month of Mission (EMM2019)



In October 2019, Pope Francis calls us all to renew our missionary commitment through a special month of prayer and action.

### The following prayers have been inspired by the EMM2019 aims:

1. To encourage Catholics into a deeper relationship with Jesus through prayer.
2. To look to, and learn from, the actions and sacrifices of our saints, martyrs and living missionaries.
3. To financially support overseas mission, through Missio.
4. To rediscover and renew our understanding of overseas mission (*missio ad gentes*).

### Sunday 6 October 2019

#### Prayer for the Holy Father

For Pope Francis and all Church leaders: that they may seek justice and peace for all people throughout the world, always following the example of Jesus Christ.

#### Prayer for Mission

We pray, in this Extraordinary Month of Mission: that we may be effective missionary disciples and help others to encounter Jesus in their lives and receive the gift of faith.

### Sunday 13 October

#### Prayer for the Holy Father

For Pope Francis and all Church leaders: that as they work to spread the Gospel of love throughout our broken world, they may bring hope and New Life to all peoples.

#### Prayer for Mission

We pray in this Extraordinary Month of Mission: that following the examples of saints and martyrs, missionaries may be instruments of peace and reconciliation, and with courage give witness to the goodness of God.

### World Mission Sunday, 20 October. These can also be found in the EMM booklet sent to parishes

**Celebrant:** *Let us bring our prayer to the God of our salvation, for all our hope rests in him who made heaven and earth.*

- For us all who are baptised and sent: may the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen us as we proclaim the message of God's love and forgiveness to all nations.
- For the women and men committed to mission who have left home and country to bear witness to Jesus Christ: that they may persevere in patient service of those in greatest need.
- For the work of Missio, the Holy Father's charity for world mission: that our prayers and offerings will bear abundant fruit in those countries where the Church struggles against injustice and rejection.
- For the Church in India: that it may create a community where peace and harmony will flourish by the power of God's promise to see justice done to them.
- For our own parish community: that our faith in Jesus Christ will enable us to view the world with God's eyes and heart.
- As Mother of the Church, Mary was fully involved in the mission of Jesus to bring new sons and daughters of God to birth in the Spirit and in faith. We ask her to pray for us as we say: Hail Mary...

**Celebrant:** *God our Father, help us to renew our commitment to the mission of your son Jesus, that by the power of the Holy Spirit our prayers and actions will bear witness to the grace of your saving love, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Sunday 27 October

#### Prayer for the Holy Father

For Pope Francis and all Church leaders: that they may provide prophetic leadership on the important issues that concern us all in God's world including the environment, refugees, poverty, injustice and violent conflict.

#### Prayer for Mission

We pray in this Extraordinary Month of Mission: that we may have a renewed commitment to prayer and the ongoing deepening of our faith, in order to help make disciples of the people we meet both through our words and our actions.

