

## General Intercessions for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A

**Celebrant:** Blessed are the poor, the sorrowing, and those who seek peace and justice. The truth of these words gives us confidence now to pray.

**Deacon/Lector:**

That the Church may proclaim the Beatitudes with clarity and live them with fidelity, we pray to the Lord...

That the powerful and influential of the world may hear God's word and boast only in the Lord, we pray to the Lord...

That God's people may seek justice by working to save the poorest of the poor, the unborn children in danger of abortion, we pray to the Lord...

That the upcoming Lenten season may be a time of spiritual renewal for our parish and our families, we pray to the Lord...

That the sick may find comfort in the lesson of the Beatitudes, and that in their suffering and loneliness they may find the Lord's consolation, we pray to the Lord...

That those who have died, especially those who were ridiculed for their faith, may rejoice in their heavenly reward, we pray to the Lord...

**Celebrant:**

Father,  
We hunger and thirst for holiness,  
And we long for the peace that comes from you.  
As you hear our prayers,  
Grant us all that is good,  
And keep us in your loving care.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.