

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

Psalm 78:23-29

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:24-35

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Father of mercies, hear our prayer, and that we may obtain those things for which we pray, help us to ask for those things that please you; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Optional Supplications for*)**ON THE GOSPEL READING • John 6:24-35**

Gracious Lord and Savior, by your Word, turn our hearts away from the perishable things of earth to you, that we may always be doing the work of God, which is to believe in him whom he has sent. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR LOVE TO GOD

Gracious Father, fill our hearts with such love for you, that when you awaken in us new spiritual desires and spiritual longings, we are not turned away by any seductions of the world or of the flesh. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Grant your Holy Spirit, O Lord, for which you taught us to pray, that he may regenerate our hearts by your Word, and lead us into all truth, that we thereby may be sanctified and preserved in true faith for eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR FAITH

Increase our faith, O Lord, that we may ever more firmly believe the great and precious promises you have given us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and may never need to be chided for our little faith. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR CONTENTMENT

Deliver us, O Lord, from distrust of your fatherly care when we become anxious about our earthly lives, and direct us anew to live for the hallowing of your name, the coming of your Kingdom, and the doing of your will. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE SICK

Visit and relieve, O Lord, your servants who are ill, for whom we now make supplication, naming them in our hearts. Bless them with a sure confidence in your care, defend them in danger, and keep them in your lasting peace and safety. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us to keep your Word in pure hearts, so we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. **Amen.**