

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

2 Kings 5:1-14

Psalm 30

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Mark 1:40-45

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, favorably hear the prayers of your people, that we who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by your goodness for the glory of your name; 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 • Mark 1:40-45

Lord Jesus Christ, you came to break sin's oppression and to set the prisoner free. Grant that we may see, in the miraculous cleansing of a leper, an Epiphany of your coming, and rejoice in our deliverance. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Grant to your church, O Lord, your Holy Spirit, and the wisdom which comes down from heaven, that your Word may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people. May we serve you in steadfast faith and, in the confession of your name, abide to the end. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR UNITY IN THE FAITH

Lord, you made us to be one body and of one spirit. Remove from us all false teachings that would divide us and subvert your truth that we, your people, gathered from all nations, may serve you faithfully in the unity of the faith. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR LOVE

O Lord, you have taught us that all our deeds done without love are nothing. Fill our hearts with that most excellent gift that verifies peace and all virtues, without which we are counted as dead before you. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION

O Lord, comforter of the sorrowing and strength of the weak, hear our prayers for all who suffer illness and distress that, whatever their needs, they may receive and know your help and comfort. 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.**
