

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME C  
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY C  
PROPER 2 C

*That we may see God's presence in the lives of even the enemy, let us offer to God the needs of the whole world, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Living God, you spoke to your people of old. Give to your church ears to hear your voice speaking in our day, even through those we name as enemy. Lord, in your mercy,

Lord, for the nations of the world we pray. Let not anger consume us. Take away from us false virtue, and break down all dividing walls of hostility. Lord, in your mercy,

Lord, in Jesus you called us to sacrificial love. Enable us to serve all those in need, the poor, the homeless, the sick, and the dying. [Especially we pray for N.] Lord, in your mercy,

Lord, through the hardships of the Hebrew leaders you preserved the life of your people. Comfort all those in distress. Make of human suffering a gracious gift of life for others. Lord, in your mercy,

Lord, in Jesus you have given us the first fruit of your dominion. Plant your life-giving Spirit in us and in our land, that we may bring forth justice and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

*[Here other intercessions may be offered.]*

*Lord, who formed humanity of the dust of the earth, reform us into the likeness of your Christ. May your mercy pour into our laps. May we see ourselves as one with those we accuse and so know the joy of forgiveness given and received, through Christ our Lord.*