

Universal Prayer
3rd Sunday of Easter
April 26

We pray for our Holy Father, our bishops and priests: that a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit may give them power to announce the dying and rising of Jesus with St. Peter's bold conviction.

We pray for Bishop-Elect Michael McGovern: that God may grant him a fruitful ministry and fill the minds and hearts of the flock he will shepherd with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the sacraments, and the desire to build up God's holy Church.

We pray for an end to the plague of locusts in east Africa: that God will curtail the spread of the locust, preserve the crops, and protect the people from famine.

We pray for the poor, the sick, and those in isolation: that the Christian community will find new ways to minister to their brothers and sisters in need.

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We pray for all who are awaiting the sacraments of initiation: that God will sustain them, help them to deepen their commitment, and grow in their desire to serve him each day.

As we begin our building project, we pray in thanksgiving for those whose contributions have led our parish to this point of growth; and for the safety of the construction workers during this project.

We pray for the intentions of those watching this broadcast. At this time, we will pause for a moment as you voice your intentions in your home, or type them in the comments field to share with your community.

We pray for our faithful departed ones: that God may show them the path to life, and give them abounding joy in His presence, especially Andrew Ketterman, son-in-law of Kim and Dave Pierson.