**Prayer of the Faithful**

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 24th October, 2021**

**Introduction**

When Bartimaeus cried out, Jesus stopped to listen to him. Let us cry out with the

same faith as the blind beggar, trusting that the Lord will hear our prayers and

answer them.

**Petitions**

1. We pray for vocations in the Church, that the Spirit may inspire young people to answer God’s call to marriage, the priesthood, the religious life and the single life, so that the Gospel may be brought to all people.

Lord hear us

1. We pray for our politicians whose decisions touch issues of life and death: that the Holy Spirit will enlighten their minds and consciences by giving them the gift of discernment.

Lord hear us

1. We pray for the refugees and asylum seekers whose voices are ignored and

unheeded in this time of pandemic, that they may be granted a safe place to live and be at peace with their families and loved ones.

Lord hear us

1. We pray for those who are blinded by the pursuit of wealth and commercial gain at the expense of the vulnerable, that they may be touched by the selfless love of Christ and become more generous and kind.

Lord hear us

1. We pray for this parish community, that our eyes may be opened to the needs of others and we may offer ourselves to the service of God every day.

Lord hear us

**Conclusion**

Lord, you have done great things for us and we are filled with joy at your Son’s

healing presence. Through the power of the Spirit, listen to our prayer that we make in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**