

Prayers of the Faithful for Pentecost Saturday/Sunday May 27th/28th, 2023

- Priest: Let us come before our loving Father with our prayers of petition.
- Lector: We pray that Pope Francis, our bishop Paul, and all priests everywhere be filled anew with the Holy Spirit at this Pentecost, and lead us more fully in the ways of Jesus,
(pause briefly¹)
Lord, hear us.
- Lector: We pray that the leaders of our nation, in both government and business be guided by the Spirit of love and justice in their deliberations and planning,
(pause briefly)
E te ariki.
- Lector: Lord God, we give thanks for our parish and for the many traditions and cultures of our parishioners. By the grace of your Holy Spirit, may our gratitude continue to grow as we encounter one another and experience your gift of unity,
(pause briefly)
Lord, hear us.
- Lector: We pray for the community of Upper Hutt, that we may strive more fully to exhibit a caring justice to all members of our beautiful city,
(pause briefly)
E te ariki.
- Lector: Lord God, we ask your healing hand to be upon those who are sick, lonely, grieving and in pain. Help us to see the needs of those around us and to help them where we can,
(pause briefly)
Lord, hear us.
- Lector: We pray for those who have died: those we have loved and cherished; all the dead of this parish; and all those who have no one remember them. Dear God, welcome them into the radiant light of your presence,
(pause briefly)
E te ariki.
- Lector: We pray that we may each experience a fresh outpouring of God's Holy Spirit in our lives,
(pause briefly)
Lord, hear us.
- Priest: We offer these petitions, Lord God, in the name of your son, Jesus.
Amen.

¹ Pause long enough to say one "Hail Mary" silently.