



Intercessions and Blessing for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 22, 2024

General Intercessions

For mothers and fathers who have recently experienced the birth of a child: that the Lord of Life may bless them with all they need to nurture their son or daughter's physical, emotional, and spiritual growth. Let us pray to the Lord.

For those among us whose loved ones have not yet baptized their children: that we might find words to encourage them to let their little ones come to Jesus and receive his merciful love in the sacraments. Let us pray to the Lord.

Blessing for Children after Communion

After reciting the Prayer after Communion, invite all children under the age of 10 to come forward and receive a blessing in the following or similar words:

Lord, our God,

Out of the speech of little children you have fashioned a hymn of praise. Look with kindness on these children whom the faith of the Church commends to your tender care.

Your Son, born of the Virgin Mary, gladly welcomed little children. He took them in his arms, blessed them, and held them up as an example for all.

We pray that you, Father, will send forth your blessing ✠ upon these children, so that they may grow in Christian maturity and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's witnesses in the world, spreading and defending the faith.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

