

## Intercessions and Blessing for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 6, 2024

## **General Intercessions**

For young couples who are striving to build a life together: that the Lord will bless their hopes and strengthen their commitment by leading them to show their mutual love and care every day. Let us pray to the Lord.

For married couples whose journey together is being tested by a rocky road: that they may find confidence to rely on each other in their difficulties and that they may encounter support in the community of faith. Let us pray to the Lord.

## **Blessing for Married Couples after Communion**

After reciting the Prayer after Communion, invite all married couples to stand and receive a blessing in the following or similar words:

Almighty and eternal God,

You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them.

Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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Amen.