

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**  
**August 9 - 10, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the Pope, bishops, priests, deacons and laity who serve and lead the household of faith. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**

For world leaders, who one day must give an account of their work to God. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**

For our newly elected state and local officials, may they listen deeply to one another and to their constituents while seeking new insights into difficult, long-standing problems.

May we, your children, joyously praise and thank you for this beautiful earth. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**

May we be like Abraham, who was willing to change his whole life because he trusted you. Help us to, likewise, place our own lives in your hands. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**

For the grace to remember – in trust – that your love lasts forever, and that we are to be that love in the world for others.

We earnestly pray for all those who are sick. Bring them strength and hope. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**

We also pray for those who have died. Grant them eternal rest, and bring comfort to those left behind. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**

We lift up to you all the prayers of this community, and those we hold in the silence of our hearts *[brief pause]*. **God of all faithfulness, we pray.**