



# World Mission Sunday 2023

## Prayer of the Faithful

### CELEBRANT

On this World Mission Sunday, we know that our brothers and sisters around the globe belong to God and live in hope, like ourselves. Let us come before the Lord today, asking Him to fuel our passion and direct our steps as we bear witness to His love throughout the world.

Sample Responses:

"Lord, Ignite Our Hearts" | "Lord, Guide Our Steps" | "God of All Nations, Hear Our Prayer"

### LECTOR

We pray that, like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, every baptized Christian sets out to proclaim that the Lord has truly risen and so experiences their hearts on fire and feet on the move. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for Church leaders, especially missionaries serving around the world, that they may feel Jesus walking closely beside them, enlightening and transforming them to proclaim the mystery of salvation. We pray to the Lord.

May we become bread broken and shared for mission dioceses who experience suffering due to war, poverty and persecution by sharing our material bread and our Eucharistic Bread, which is Christ himself. We pray to the Lord.

That each of us may encounter the Risen Christ to then carry his fire in our heart and his light in our gaze. May we bear witness to the life that never dies in the most difficult situations and in the darkest of moments. We pray to the Lord.

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Our Father, ignite our hearts with the fire of Your love. As we strive to answer our call to mission, guide our steps and empower us to be true witnesses of Your love in every corner of the world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

These intentions were inspired by Pope Francis' [2023 Message for World Mission Day](#), also available in [Spanish](#) and [Polish](#).