**The Prayers of the People**

*Priest*

Jesus calls us to give up our lives for others. That we may have the faith to live as Jesus did, let us pray for all in need saying: Send us your Spirit, O Lord.

*Intercessor*

O gracious God, you have given up your very self to save the world. That we may be empowered to give up ourselves for one another, we pray:

*People*

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

You have made your people equal and free in the baptism of your Son. That we may live joyfully in this new way, we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

You call us to take up your cross and follow the way of Christ.

For our bishops: Justin, Michael, Wayne, and Ezekiel;

for our clergy: Marvin, Paul, and Sue;

for our staff, Wardens, and Vestry;

for Sunday School for the youth of Lui Diocese, and Charles Makany, coordinator;

and for the people and ministry of St. Alban’s (Fulton), and Marshall, their Priest;

that we may serve one another and live in obedience to your word, we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

You show to us all the poor and the needy, all the homeless and the hungry. That we may lighten their load by taking it upon ourselves, we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

You give us enough that we may share with the needy. That we and all institutions of relief may be insistent in our care for other, we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

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For the sick *(please allow 20 seconds for the congregation’s intercessions).*

That all who have asked for our prayers may know the healing power of God,

we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

For those who have died *(please allow 10 seconds for the congregation’s intercessions).*

That all who grieve the coming of death may come to know life in the mercy of God,

we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

For those observing birthdays this week:

Adam Barnes, Marin Moenkhaus, Tina Warhover, Gretchen McCay, Joan Dewey,

Christy Henke Ratliff, and Teresa McDowell

and for those celebrating anniversaries:

Linda & Larry Lawless;

Grant that we and they, like blessed Ninian, blessed Edward, blessed Theodore,

blessed John, blessed Matthew the Apostle and Evangelist, and all the saints,

may serve Christ, and love one another as he loves us, we pray:

**Send us your Spirit, O Lord.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*