

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: We'll put the Creed and the Bidding Prayers together today.
So please join in singing the refrain from the Lourdes 'Credo'.

Deacon or Reader:

- 1 St Francis rejoiced in all of God's creation.
Let us pray that we may always be grateful for what we have,
willing to share with others, and ready to challenge injustice
so all people may share in the gifts of the earth.
R. Credo in unum Deum. Credo in unum Deum.
- 2 St Francis cared for all God's creatures.
Let us pray for all the animals, great and small, that God has entrusted to us;
for an end to the cruelty inflicted on so many;
and for those who work so hard to rescue, heal and nurture God's creatures.
R. Credo in unum Deum. Credo in unum Deum.
- 3 St Francis greeted everyone with the peace of God.
Let us pray that God will touch those places caught up in war and violence
with lasting peace.
R. Credo in unum Deum. Credo in unum Deum.
- 4 On this day, St Francis welcomed Sister Death.
Let us pray for those who have died recently,
especially Colin Yates and Janet Gibson.
R. Credo in unum Deum. Credo in unum Deum.
- 5 Finally, let us pray for our own personal intentions
and for those we've been asked to remember this weekend,
especially Vincent Hennessey and all the people of this parish community.
(Pause for silent prayer)
R. Credo in unum Deum. Credo in unum Deum.
- 6 Now let us ask Our Lady of the Rosary to pray for us all: **"Hail Mary..."**

Presider: **Pope Leo's Prayer for the Jubilee of St Francis of Assisi**
Saint Francis, our brother, you who eight hundred years ago
went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace,
intercede for us before the Lord.
You recognised true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano,
teach us to seek in Him the source of all reconciliation
that breaks down every wall.
You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding,
give us the courage to build bridges
where the world raises up boundaries.
In this time afflicted by conflict and division,
intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers:
unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ.
Amen.