

Sample Penitential Rite C

Sample Petitions for the Prayers of the Faithful

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 24 & 25, 2015

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Lord Jesus, you love us with patience and caring, not violence of any kind: **Lord have mercy.**

Christ Jesus, you side with those in our families and communities who experience abuse from their spouse or any one else: **Christ have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you walk with those who are oppressed and in pain: **Lord have mercy.**

Sample Petitions for the Prayers of the Faithful

For all those who are controlled by their spouse or significant other through fear and intimidation; that they find freedom from the battering, insults and threats that harm not just the partner but the children. **We Pray:**

Grant safety for victims and children, accountability for abusers, restoration of relationships if possible, and mourning over loss. **We pray:**

Free those living with abuse physically, mentally, financially or spiritually, from their oppression, so that they may walk in peace and enjoy a life filled with your blessings. **We Pray:**

Open our ears, eyes, and hearts to be more aware and supportive of people in abusive situations, so that they won't feel alone and will know that we care. **We Pray:**

Protect the innocent children who suffer, who witness violence and abuse at the hands of the ones they love. Bring them to a safe place where they can begin to heal. **We Pray:**

Touch the hearts of those who abuse others: that they may turn to you, respect the life and dignity of those closest to them, and know your forgiveness. **We Pray:**

Look upon the victims of domestic violence with compassion and guide their journey toward: that they might have the chance to begin a new life free from fear and pain. **We Pray:**

Watch over our elderly sisters and brothers who suffer abuse. Rescue them from harsh and hurtful treatment and provide gentle and loving care for their remaining time on this earth. **We Pray:**

Guide our judges and lawmakers that our legal systems may be just and work for the good of your people. **We Pray:**