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Let us pray in confidence to the Lord saying "Lord hear our prayer."

Thank you for your universal church, make it into one great company of disciples, following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving him in his mission to the world, witnessing to his love on every continent and island. **Lord hear our prayer.**

Thank you for the investiture of Rob Brockley into the order of the Diocese of British Columbia yesterday, and for Christ Church Gabriola. Thank you for needing us to be your servants, making us worthwhile, for giving us people to love, and work to do. For your universe, for your world, and for ourselves. Help us to accept our role as servant to all.

God you made this our earthly home, and have made of one blood all the nations of the earth. God teach us to live together in peace, and harmony, to reflect and share the goodness that surrounds us. Share our heritage for the benefit of all – this generation and those to come.

We ask you to bless the representatives we have elected, grant that through their discussions and decisions we may solve our problems effectively, enhance the well-being of our nations, and achieve together a fair and more united society.

We pray for the victims of our society, and those whom minister to them. Comfort all who sorrow and strengthen all who suffer, hear the cry of those in misery and need. Show them your mercy and give us we pray, the strength to serve them, we ask in Jesus name.

We pray for those who are ill in mind, body and spirit. Let your healing touch fall upon them as we name them aloud or in our hearts.

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, and we hold up to you all who mourn.

Christ Body

by Theresa Avila

Christ has no body now on earth but yours,
Yours are the only hands with which he can do his work,
Yours are the only feet with which he can go about the world,
Yours are the only eyes through which his compassion can shine forth upon a troubled world,
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people, and you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us, this we ask in the name of our son Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen