

# Suggested Prayer of the Faithful

Archdiocese of Dublin

*For your Prayer of the Faithful you  
might wish to include these prayers:*

In this year in which we journey together as Pilgrims of Hope, we pray that many lay people will hear a call to serve and build up the Church as ministers of Hope.

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for all those who serve our parish in a variety of ministries. May they grow in confidence and joyfully share their Faith with others every day.

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# Lay Ministry Appeal

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*When introducing the Lay Ministry Collection, you might ask someone in ministry to read from Archbishop Dermot Farrell's letter, highlighting these paragraphs:*

The mission to help open the door to faith, in our time, is the mission of the whole People of God. All of the baptised are called to build up the Church, clergy and lay people together, encouraged by the Holy Spirit. In this synodal Church of multiple ministries, no one should doubt but that the Lord continues to call people today to share his mission of service of the Gospel. The call to priesthood is born out of that invitation; it is an intensification of it...

Over the past two years lay ministries have been steadily developing; 109 lay people from the Diocese have completed the Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis to become parish catechists, and this year 34 people have participated in our new Youth Ministry Leadership Certificate. 120 lay Funeral Prayer Leaders have been trained across the Archdiocese and the Pathways into Ministry adult education programme continues to help adults develop their faith...

Please join in supporting this mission today, and every day. Ask, what can I do to open the door of faith to others, in practical and life-giving ways, knowing that it is God who makes all things new.