Sample General Intercessions

Celebrant:
On this World Mission Sunday, God asks us, “Whom Shall I Send?” Our answer is “Here I Am, Send Me!” May God bless us as we send ourselves to the whole world in prayer, proclaiming the “Good News” of Jesus to all nations and peoples.

Possible Responses: Here I Am, Send Me / Here I Am, Lord, Send Me / Lord, Send Us / Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Lector:
For a personal relationship with Jesus, God the Father’s Own Missionary sent to us, that we may, in His example, step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbor to answer our baptismal call to mission, especially during this time of crisis, pandemic and need, let us pray to the Lord...

For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, head missionary of the Church, and for all missionaries and martyrs who give their lives to tell the glory of the Lord among the nations, especially those serving the most forgotten during the COVID-19 pandemic, that they may be loving, wise, and holy witnesses of Christ, Our Savior, let us pray to the Lord...

For the witness of missionary saints, especially the Missions patroness St. Thérèse of Lisieux and patron St. Francis Xavier, that they may intercede for the fervent missionary spirit of the faithful of our Universal Church, both nearby and far away, let us pray to the Lord...

For the cause for sainthood of Blessed Pauline Marie Jaricot, foundress of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, whose idea to harness the power of prayer and penny sacrifices continues today, in the Pope’s name, to meet the spiritual and material needs of peoples and Churches throughout the world, for the salvation of all, let us pray to the Lord...

For the Church, that she may continue the mission of Jesus in history by sending forth the baptized faithful to witness and proclaim the Gospel; and for the persecuted, repressed, or remote Church, that our own experiences away from our parishes may bring us into greater solidarity with these Christian communities, let us pray to the Lord...

For the leaders of nations, that they may be committed to justice for all peoples, to helping heal hatred and division, and to building a world at peace, let us pray to the Lord...

For an increase in missionary charity, that our spiritual and financial sacrifices may help the message and love of Our Lord be made known to the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Lord...

For those who are ill or isolated, for those who live in spiritual loneliness, that they may unite their sufferings with the Crucified Christ for the redemption of the world, let us pray to the Lord...

[Parish intentions for the sick and for those who have died...]

Celebrant:
God Our Father, You bless us with the gift of faith. Increase our faith as we answer, “Here I Am, Send Me” to our baptismal call to take part in the worldwide mission of Jesus. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the World. Amen.