

Petitions for the Diocese of Latakia, Syria

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 2, 2017

For the little ones who are disciples of the Lord—especially those in our twinned diocese in Syria—may they receive all the support they need to continue following Christ into new life. We pray to the Lord.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 9, 2017

For all those who are laboring under persecution and being burdened under the threat of violence—especially those in the diocese of Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria—may they find the Lord's yoke easy and His burden light. We pray to the Lord.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 16, 2017

That the faith of Christians—especially those in our twinned diocese in Syria—may not be scorched, choked, or withered, but may it produce rich fruit. We pray to the Lord.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 23, 2017

For those whose lives have been sown in a field of weeds. May they persevere until the final harvest. In a special way for those enduring persecution for their faith in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria. We pray to the Lord.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 30, 2017

For Christians in the Middle East, especially in our twinned diocese in Syria, that they may be granted courage, hope, and perseverance as they bear heroic witness to their faith in this time of persecution. We pray to the Lord.

Feast of the Transfiguration -- August 6, 2017

That the Voice from the cloud may resound in the hearts of all Christians—in times of fear or joy. In a special way for those beloved sons and daughters of the Lord in Syria. We pray to the Lord.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 13, 2017

That we may share in the courage and fidelity of the Christians in our twinned diocese in Syria, that we may know of God's presence in the tiny whispers of life. We pray to the Lord.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 20, 2017

For a respect of religious freedom in this land and around the world—especially in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria—that all may worship their God in peace. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 27, 2017

May we all, like the Christians in our twinned diocese in Syria, keep declaring Christ to be the Son of the living God by our words and actions—regardless of the cost. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 3, 2017

For those who know the harsh reality of the Lord's words: that whoever wishes to save his life will lose it—in a special way for the Christians in our twinned diocese of Latakia (La-TA-heeya). We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 10, 2017

That all Christians will remember that Christ is with them even in their small numbers—especially for our faithful friends in Syria. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 17, 2017

For those who show mercy to refugees fleeing persecution and violence in the Middle East—especially those who are effected in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria—that they may continue to see the face of Christ in the most vulnerable. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 24, 2017

It was in Syria that the followers were first called Christians. For those who have been laboring in the vineyard of the Lord since the very beginning—especially those in our twinned diocese of Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 1, 2017

For those living in the unfair conditions of persecution for their faith, especially those in Syria, that they be consoled by the Lord who took the form of a slave. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 8, 2017

That all Christians may be inspired by the faithful servants of the Lord in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria and beyond. May we all continue to focus on that which is true, just and lovely. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 15, 2017

For holy indifference for all Christians, that like St. Paul we may know how to live with abundance or with want, and thus be open to support those being persecuted for their faith. We pray to the Lord.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 22, 2017

That the inscription of God may be seen and cherished in the lives of all—especially for our friends being persecuted in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria. We pray to the Lord.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- October 29, 2017

That the living out of the two great commandments by those in our twinned diocese in Syria lead to conversion of heart in their persecutors, in politicians, and in ourselves. We pray to the Lord.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 5, 2017

That the Gospel of the Lord be received not as a human word, but as it truly is, the word of God—in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria and here at home. We pray to the Lord.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 12, 2017

For those facing persecution for their faith in our twinned diocese in Syria and around the world, may they stay vigilant with lighted lamps, and may we support them with our prayers and sacrifices. We pray to the Lord.

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- November 19, 2017

That the words “Well done, my good and faithful servant” will greet all those who are about to pass from this world—especially those being killed for their faith in Syria. We pray to the Lord.

Solemnity of Christ the King -- November 26, 2017

For those in the prison of persecution—especially for our friends in Latakia (La-TA-heeya), Syria—that we may visit them by our prayers and sacrifices. We pray to the Lord.