

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME C 08/24-25/2013**

**Priest Celebrant**

Steadfast is the kindness of the Lord,  
whose fidelity is forever:

**Deacon/Cantor/Reader**

That the Church be the sign of salvation to every nation  
east and west, north and south,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That Christians reunite at the Father's one table,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That the peace of the Cross lead to lasting justice for the people of  
the Holy Land, Syria, Afghanistan, and wherever war holds sway,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That nations exchange weapons for instruments of progress;  
that our armed forces return safely to their families,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That parents and children grow in respect  
for one another, every neighbor, and all God's creation,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That the fruit of righteousness heal hearts broken by addictions, abuse,  
imprisonment,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That our sick abide in confidence,  
let us pray to the Lord:

That our dead know eternal happiness in God's Kingdom  
[today in particular] ,  
let us pray to the Lord:

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                            to offer you the pleasing sacrifice of  
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