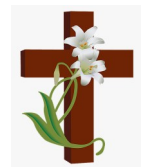




# Seventh Sunday of Easter

17th May 2026



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JOHN 4:14

## Seventh Sunday of Easter Gospel John 17:1-11—Jesus prays for us

In this Gospel reading, Jesus was praying for his friends during his Last Supper with them, on the night before he died.

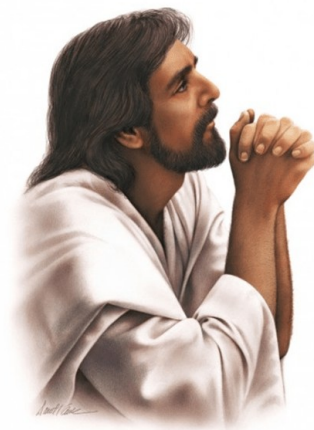
Jesus prayed to his Father, that his friends "may be one just as you and I are one."

Jesus wanted his disciples to love one another, to be united with each other, to be together - just as closely as Jesus and God the Father are together.

Jesus prayed for us too. He wants us to be united, together, loving one another.

What sort of things might we do if we are united?

We might spend time together and be at peace with each other, listening to each other and helping each other. We would want what is best for the other person - loving one another as



*I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.  
John 17:9*

**In addition, this week let us pray for:**

We pray for all world leaders: that they may learn to work together and make decisions that will make the world a more peaceful place.

We pray for people who are poor around the world: that they may feel supported by us as they work to improve life in their communities.

We pray for our parish, families and friends: that we may love one another, and work together for the good of the earth and everyone who lives here.

*Lord in your mercy.....hear our prayer*



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