General Intercessions (or "Prayer of the Faithful") Choice Sheet for: Mass of Christian Burial

Please choose (circle) 5-7 from the following:

For the individual (1 or 2):

- 1. In baptism <u>N.</u> received the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead her over the waters of death, we pray to the Lord.
- 2. Our sister/ brother was nourished at the table of the Savior. Welcome her/him into the halls of the heavenly banquet, we pray to the Lord.
- 3. For N., who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that s/he may now be admitted to the company of the saints, we pray to the Lord.
- 4. For our brother/sister, that s/he may be raised up on the last day, we pray to the Lord.
- 5. For N, who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that s/he may now be admitted to the company of the saints, we pray to the Lord.
- 6. For our sister/brother who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that s/he may be raised up on the last day, we pray to the Lord.
- 7. That God may deliver the soul of his servant <u>N.</u> from punishment and from the powers of darkness, we pray to the Lord.
- 8. That God in his mercy may blot out all his/her offenses, we pray to the Lord.
- 9. That God may establish him/her in light and peace, we pray to the Lord.
- 10. That God may receive N. into eternal happiness with the company of all the saints, we pray to the Lord.

The Church and Social Concerns:

- 11. That the bishops and priests of the Church, and all who preach the Gospel, may be given the strength to express in action the word they proclaim, we pray to the Lord.
- 12. That those in public office may promote truth, justice and peace, we pray to the Lord.

- 13. That those who bear the cross of pain in mind or body may never feel forsaken by God, we pray to the Lord.
- 14. For protection of the dignity of human life in the law of our land from conception to natural death, we pray to the Lord.
- 15. For peace in the world, within and between countries, in our families and in our hearts, we pray to the Lord.
- 16. For all those in need of healing, especially the spiritual wound of hopelessness, that they also may find and receive the healing of the Savior's forgiveness, we pray to the Lord.
- 17. For all affected by the economic strain, that we may recognize the emptiness of greed and the abundance of eternal riches of knowledge, love, generosity and peace that God provides us with, we pray to the Lord.
- 18. For peace in the world, a swift end to the conflict in Iraq and Afganistan, for our service men and women, their families and the innocent, we pray to the Lord.

Those others who have died:

- 19. Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son, we pray to the Lord.
- 20. For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face, we pray to the Lord.
- 21. For our deceased relatives and friends, and for all who have prayed for and helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness, we pray to the Lord.
- 22. For all those what have cared for N., who have prayed for and helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness, we pray to the Lord.
- 23. That God may welcome into his glory those of our family and friends who have departed this life, we pray to the Lord.
- 24. That today, God may give a place in the kingdom of heaven to those in purgatory, we pray to the Lord.

For Family & Friends:

25. For the family and friends of our brother/sister N., that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus, we pray to the Lord.

- 26. For the family and friends of our sister/brother <u>N.</u>, especially for the safety of those who have traveled long distances and for those who could not come today, we pray to the Lord.
- 27. For the safety and growth in faith of travelers returning home after this time of prayer, we pray to the Lord.

For Ourselves:

- 28. We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our sister/brother N. Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of your Son's coming, we pray to the Lord.
- 29. For all of us gathered here to worship God in faith, that we may be gathered together again in His kingdom, we pray to the Lord.