

Independence Day (4 July)

Presider or deacon

As we celebrate the birth of this nation, let us pray for all nations and peoples.

Deacon or other leader

For the holy catholic church throughout the world, and for *N* our bishop and all the people of this diocese.

Kyrie, eleison.

For this nation and for all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, and families.

Kyrie, eleison.

For liberty throughout the land and for mercy, justice, and peace in every place.

Kyrie, eleison.

For the armed forces, the police, and all who keep the peace, and for those who have died in war and civil strife.

Kyrie, eleison.

For the good land God has given us, and for our cities, towns, and communities.

Kyrie, eleison.

For all who are needy, desolate, forgotten, suffering, lonely, and disconsolate.

Kyrie, eleison.

For our forgiveness for injustice, bigotry, and oppression.

Kyrie, eleison.

For our ancestors in this land, and for all the dying and the dead.

Kyrie, eleison.

Remembering the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord.**

Presider

Blessed are you, God of all nations. Hear the prayers we offer on this national feast and bring us at last to our home in your heavenly realm; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.