



# CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE

## World Communications Day *Intercessions*

ASCENSION SUNDAY, 12 MAY 2013

**Celebrant:** Jesus said his apostles would be his witnesses “to the ends of the earth”.

We follow in their footsteps and, like them, we need God to guide us and be with us as we strive to be effective witnesses.

Let us ask for his blessings.

**Reader:** We pray for all who believe in Jesus Christ

(PAUSE)

May God inspire us to do all we can to share the Gospel of Christ with those who do not yet know Him.

Lord, in your mercy...

**All:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Reader:** We pray for Pope Francis and all others who speak in the name of Christ.

(PAUSE)

May God put words of love and forgiveness into their mouths, brothers and sisters may feel confident to come close to Him.

Lord, in your mercy...

**All:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Reader:** We pray for Christians who work in the communications media (PAUSE).

May God help them to share their faith in Christ, and give them the wisdom to be patient and courteous in the way they speak and write.

Lord, in your mercy...

**All:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Reader:** We pray for parents, grandparents, teachers and all others who have care of the young  
(PAUSE)  
May God guide them as they help young minds make the best use of the wonderful technology that is available to them.  
Lord, in your mercy...

**All:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Reader:** We pray for those who are searching for meaning, happiness and love  
(PAUSE)  
May God guide them to people who can accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage  
Lord, in your mercy...

**All:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Reader:** We pray for those who seek to make Christ known in the world of digital communication  
(PAUSE)  
May they always remember that it is their task “to make known the love of God to the ends of the earth”.  
Lord, in your mercy...

**All:** *Hear our prayer.*

**Celebrant:** Father of infinite love and forgiveness, fill our minds and hearts with an awareness of your presence, so that in all we think, say and do, people may find a reflection of you.  
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

**All:** *Amen.*