PRAYERS FOR VISITING A PARTICULAR PARISH CHURCH...

In the name of the Father...
Our Father...
Hail, Mary...
Glory be...

Let us build a house where love can dwell

And all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

All are welcome, all are welcome. all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
And words are strong and true,
Where all God's children dare to seek,
To dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
And as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
In water, wine and wheat:
A banquet hall on holy ground,
Where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
Is revealed in time and space;
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach
Beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
And live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
Bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
Prayers of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place!



Church of God, elect and glorious, holy nation, chosen race; called as God's own special people, royal priests and heirs of grace: know the purpose of your calling, show to all God's mighty deeds; tell of love which knows no limits, grace which meets all human needs.

God has called you out of darkness into his most marv'lous light, brought his truth to life within you, turned your blindness into sight. Let your light so shine around you that God's name is glorified; and all find fresh hope and purpose in Christ Jesus crucified.

Once you were an alien people, strangers to God's heart of love; but he brought you home in mercy, citizens of heav'n above. Let his love flow out to others, let them feel a Father's care; that they too many know his welcome and his countless blessings share.

Church of God, elect and holy, be the people he intends; strong in faith and swift to answer each command your master sends: royal priests, fulfill your calling through your sacrifice and prayer; give your lives in joyful service, sing his praise, his love declare.

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A period of silent reflection in front of the Blessed Sacrament...

praying for all in the church, especially the sick, the weak, the marginalized,
as well as the congregation at large and the various
ministries that are performed...
and then...

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All praise and all thanksgiving be ev'ry moment Thine! (3x)

May the souls of all the faithful departed of this church, and the souls of all of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen