

Today is Rāhina (Monday) the 13th of Mahuru (September), the feast of St John Chrysostom, in the 24th week of Ordinary Time.

Today's reading is from the first letter to Timothy.

Timothy 2:1-8

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

I desire, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or argument

The Gospel of the Lord... Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ .

Why do you think that Paul is asking for "supplications and prayers...for all who are in high positions"? Is this something you practise? How easy or difficult do you find this?

"Christ Jesus... gave himself a ransom for all". What does this mean to you?

Paul talks here about wanting us to "pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or argument". Have you ever done that? Did it make any difference?

Kia inoi tātou (Let us pray).... +

Mā te Atua koe e manaaki,
E tiaki i ngā wā katoa;
E noho i roto i te aroha o te Atua:
Ko te aroha hoki te mea nui.

May God bless you and watch over you in all times and places;
Dwell in the love of God:
For love is the greatest thing of all.

Amene

Hato Hoane Papiti Raherino

He inoi mo mātou

**I noho a Ihu Karaiti i roto i
tā mātou ngākau**

Mo ake tonu



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