

PRIEST: Jesus tells us 'ask and it will be given to you; search and you will find'.  
We this in mind we bring our needs,  
and the needs of our world, to the Father:

READER: **For the Church, that the Pope, bishops, and all church leaders  
will continually seek, and be blessed with, God's wisdom and guidance.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For the innocent victims of terror, violence or war, that they  
may be saved by the efforts of those who work for peace and by the  
outstretched hand of God whose love is eternal.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For a deeper understanding of the sanctity of human life,  
that there may be a new desire in the hearts of all to celebrate  
and protect human life from conception to natural death.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For our own parish community, that we will grow in  
attentiveness to God's word and thankfulness for God's grace.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For all who are sick or suffering, homeless or housebound,  
that they will know the loving touch of Christ in their lives.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

PRIEST: God our Father,  
as we celebrate the mystery  
of the life, death and resurrection of Christ,  
grant that he may dwell in us and we in him,  
for he is Lord for ever and ever.