

PRIEST: With confidence in Jesus' promise, 'where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them', we turn to the Father with our prayers and petitions.

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

READER: **For the world, that its leaders will always model the mercy of God in their treatment of their people.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are in formation for the priesthood, that they will always be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit on their journey of discipleship.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own community, that we will continue to invite men and women in our midst to share their gifts and energy with the Church as they each discern their vocation.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are in need of forgiveness, that their hearts will be turned to repentance and they will accept Christ's mercy.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are sick or suffering in any way, remembering especially those throughout the world who are affected by disease or deprivation, that they will be supported and experience the healing love of God in their lives.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God of mercy and compassion
you give us all we need to come to everlasting happiness.
Hear our prayers
that we might be a sign of your blessings to all we meet.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.