PRIEST: Jesus calls us to be servants of all. With this in mind

we bring our needs and the needs of our world to the Father:

READER: For all those called to leadership within the Church:

that, by their example, they will teach us to act wisely,

love tenderly and walk humbly with our God.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For leaders of nations and governments, that they will work

to find just ways of bringing peace to their people.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For peacemakers and peacekeepers,

that they may grow strong in wisdom and insight

as they seek to overcome force and unite warring communities.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For refugees and migrants and for all seeking work,

that they may always be treated with dignity and respect.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For our own parish community that we may learn

the ways of prayer and grow in our friendship with the Lord.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are sick or suffering, homeless or housebound,

that they will know the healing love of Christ in their lives.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

**PRIEST:** Merciful Father,

hear the prayers we bring to you

in childlike trust.

Help us to acknowledge your greatness and to serve you with grateful hearts. We ask this through Christ our Lord.