

PRIEST: Confident in the Father's generous love for us
we now turn to him with our prayers.

READER: **For the Church that she,
who has received life and love from God,
may be active as an instrument of peace throughout the world.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our world, that its leaders may seek
to provide comfort and relief for all those who suffer
or live in conditions of dire need and hardship.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For those places where religion is invoked to justify violent conflict,
that the Holy Spirit may bring healing and peace.
We pray especially for unity amongst all Christians.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For those who do not recognise Christ in their midst, that their
eyes and hearts may be opened by the grace of God, the truth of
the Gospel and the ministry of the Church.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own community that we may always rejoice
in our faith in Christ and strive to give true witness to Him.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are sick or housebound, and for those who are bereaved,
that they will be comforted by the knowledge of Christ's love.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: Gracious God,
we ask you to hear our prayers
and grant us all that is in accord with your will for us.
We ask this in his name, Christ Jesus our Lord.