PRIEST: Having listened to the words of Jesus, and confident in the Father's

tremendous love for us, we turn to him and pray:

READER: For Pope Francis, and for the whole Church,

that all Christians may hear and follow the voice of Jesus.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For leaders of nations, for economists and politicians,

that God's radiant light will shine on them

and that they will bring true peace, with justice, to their people.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For the work of CAFOD, our Catholic aid agency, that, through its service,

people in need all over the world will experience our support.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For the members of our own community,

that this holy season of Lent may be a time of grace for us.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are sick or suffering in any way,

especially those mourning the loss of a loved one,

that they will be comforted by the light and love of Christ.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: Heavenly Father,

from the dazzling cloud you revealed Jesus in glory as your beloved Son.

Hear and answer our prayers,

enlighten us with the bright glory of your presence,

inspire us by your word,

and so transform us into the image of the risen Lord. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.