PRIEST: When Jesus broke the bread the disciples' eyes were opened

and they recognised him. We turn to the Father and pray that our eyes,

and the eyes of the world, may be opened to God's infinite love.

READER: For Pope Francis, that he may continue to shepherd Christ's sheep,

helping them to grow in holiness.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who feel distant from the presence of God that they may

encounter him anew through the witness of the Church.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For those persecuted for their faith

that they will not lose their confidence in the promises of Christ.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are lost and unlooked for, that the Lord will again

show compassion to those who have wandered from him,

and empower us to lead others to his presence.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For our own parish community, that we will always be signs

of reconciliation and hope for others.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are sick, and for those close to death,

that Jesus, the risen Saviour, will give them grace and strength.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-loving God,

you raised Jesus from death to life.

Open our ears that we may know your will and our hearts that we may do your will.

We ask this in his name, Christ Jesus our Lord.