PRIEST: Iesus shows us the love of God our Father.

With confidence in that love we turn to him with our prayers:

READER: For the Church throughout the world,

that she may be an effective sign

of the way to everlasting happiness and eternal life.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For our world, that the marginalised

and those on the edges of society may experience the love and comfort of supportive communities.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are unemployed or exploited in the workplace,

that they, and their families, may find support,

justice and hope for a better future.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For doctors, nurses and all who care for the sick and the dying

that they may bring Christ's love and compassion to all for whom they care.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For the members of our own community,

that we may grow in holiness as we strive to live as Jesus teaches us.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For the sick, the suffering and the recently bereaved,

that gentle hands may care for them in their suffering

and that they may be steadfast in faith and spirited in hope.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father,

you sent your Son among us, born of Mary.

May our response to your word be deep and true that we might make him known to the world,

for he is Lord forever and ever.