

PRIEST: As we seek to be faithful labourers in the Lord's vineyard,  
let us present our prayers and petitions to him:

READER: **For the Church and especially for her mission in England and Wales that,  
guided by God's Spirit, we may always proclaim the Good News of Christ.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For all in government, that they will govern with integrity  
and for the common good.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For those who are seeking work and employment  
that they will always be treated with dignity and respect.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For our own parish community that, faithful to our Christian baptism,  
we will bear witness to our faith in all that we do.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For all who are working to aid those in need, particularly firefighters  
and rescue workers: that God will give them strength, wisdom,  
and protection from harm**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

READER: **For all who are sick or suffering, homeless or housebound,  
that they will know the love of Christ in their lives.**  
*(pause)*  
**Lord in your mercy**

PRIEST: God our Father,  
Lord of the harvest, hear our prayers  
and grant us the courage  
to labour joyfully each day in your vineyard.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.