PRIEST: With gratitude for the gift of the Eucharist,

which strengthens and renews us,

we turn to the Father with our prayers and petitions:

READER: For the Church, that all who lead us and guide us in our faith

will help us to live as the one Body of Christ,

growing ever closer to Jesus.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For world leaders, that they will always strive

to satisfy the human hunger for peace and justice.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are in need, that richer peoples and nations

will share their bread and wealth with those who are poor.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For our parish community and for all who hunger for meaning

and purpose in their lives, that our needs will be satisfied by

turning to Jesus, the living bread.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For Catholics throughout the world who, for whatever reason,

must go without the Eucharist,

that they may be fed spiritually by the Lord.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

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

that they will be comforted

by the ever present love of the Lord.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father, as we celebrate today's feast,

hear our prayers and grant us a love of the Eucharist

that will never grow stale

but will deepen and intensify

all the days of our life.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.