

PRIEST: Trusting in the Father's great love for us
and confident that he will hear and answer us
we turn to him with our prayers:

READER: **For the Church, that its faithful proclamation of the Gospel,
calling people to repentance, may be heard and heeded by all.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all world leaders that they will see
that in the Gospel of Jesus Christ we have an unfailing guide.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all those preparing to receive the sacraments and
for those who walk alongside them as catechists, sponsors and Godparents,
that they may always recognise, and be open to, God's grace and love.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For mothers everywhere and all who share the gift of life with others,
that we may all learn to be generous in sharing our lives.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who face exile as a result of violence, need or hunger,
that they may receive welcome, justice and compassion.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For those who are sick or suffering in any way,
that they will be strengthened by the knowledge of God's love.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father,
your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world
and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation.

Enlighten the eyes of our hearts
so that we may clearly see
the love you have for us.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.