PRIEST: On this day of Pentecost when the Church is filled

with the power of God's Holy Spirit,

united in Jesus we make our prayers to the Father:

READER: For the Church, that all who follow Christ will allow

the Holy Spirit to penetrate their lives more deeply.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For our world, that the Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life,

may renew the face of the earth and make it a place where the poor are fed, the strangers are welcomed,

and the unborn are brought safely to birth.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For peace among nations, that the Holy Spirit will transform

our world into a community of justice and peace.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For ourselves and for our own parish community,

that we may always be open to the gifts of the Spirit and gladly accept the challenges which lie ahead.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who are sick or suffering, that the Holy Spirit

will bring them strength, comfort and healing.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who have died, that they may be welcomed,

with joy, into the fullness of God's presence.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father,

open our hearts to the gifts of your Spirit

that we may always walk in the light of your presence.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit

one God for ever and ever.