PRIEST: Having listened to the words of Jesus, confident in the Father's

tremendous love for us, we turn to him and pray:

**READER:** For the whole Church, that all Christians

will listen to the voice of Jesus and faithfully follow him.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For leaders of nations, for economists and for politicians,

that God's radiant light will shine on them

and that they will bring true peace, with justice, to their people.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all who have material, political or spiritual power,

that they may resist any lure of corruption.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For the work of CAFOD, our Catholic aid agency, that, through its service,

people in need all over the world will experience our support.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: For all candidates for the sacraments and for the members of

our own community, that this holy season of Lent

may be a time of grace for each one of us.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

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

that they will be comforted by the healing presence of Christ.

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

RIEST: Heavenly Father,

from the dazzling cloud you revealed Jesus in glory as your beloved Son.

Hear and answer our prayers:

enlighten us with the bright glory of your presence,

inspire us by your word,

and so transform us into the image of the risen Lord.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.