

PRIEST: As we seek to make the riches of God's Kingdom our highest priority
let us present our prayers and petitions to him:

READER: **For Pope Francis, Bishop Declan and all our Church leaders,
that they may continue to call the faithful to reject materialism
and root their lives in God's love and mercy.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For those in government, that they may do all in their power
to protect the rights and dignity of all people.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are suffer from the effects of war, pandemic,
drought or famine, that richer nations will be more willing
to give of their plenty to those in need.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own parish community that we will have the courage
to share our faith – that pearl of great price – with those
we encounter in our everyday lives.**

(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

READER: **For family and friends of all who have died,
especially those who have died by suicide,
that they may be comforted in their grief and sorrow.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father,
as we celebrate the mystery
of the life, death and resurrection of Christ,
grant that he may dwell in us and we in him,
for he is Lord for ever and ever.