PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

- PRIEST: With confidence in God's faithfulness and mercy, let us bring our prayers before the Lord:
- READER: For the Church, that she may be a sign of hope and healing amid the troubles and chaos of today's world. (pause) Lord in your mercy
- READER: For our world, that warring nations may turn their attention and care to working for lasting peace. (*pause*) Lord in your mercy
- READER: For all who experience terror and fear due to natural and human disasters, that they will receive spiritual and physical comfort and healing. (pause) Lord in your mercy
- READER: For the unemployed and those who are exploited in the workplace, that we may build a society where all may find dignity and respect. (*pause*) Lord in your mercy
- READER: For our own gathered community, that the risen Christ among us may inspire us in service and holiness of life. (pause) Lord in your mercy
- READER: For the sick, the suffering and the housebound, and for all who have died, that they may be touched by the light of God's love. (pause) Lord in your mercy
- PRIEST: Heavenly Father, you know each one of us and all our needs. Forgive our failings, keep us in your peace and lead us in the way of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.