

1. We pray for Pope Francis, bishop of Rome and pastor of all, that his plea for a missionary church will be taken up with zeal around the world. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for Christian faith communities of every kind, that they bear clear witness to the love shared between Father, Son and Spirit. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for all who dwell in Israel and the Palestinian territories, that the tragic deaths of civilians, especially children, will lead to new negotiations for lasting peace. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for the citizens of Australia, that National Reconciliation Week will strengthen mutual respect and understanding between non-indigenous Australians and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for the residents of aged care facilities, that increased funding will provide them with the nursing care, nourishment and personal support they deserve. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for the recently deceased . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will share for ever in the love of Father, Son and Spirit. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.