

PRESIDER

Dear friends, fed by God's word and longing for the Body and Blood of Christ, let us pray with great faith for the life of the world.

READER

We pray in thanksgiving for the gift of the Lord's Supper. May it be a prophetic sign of the unity of the human family and the whole of creation. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for believers who eat the bread of life and drink from the cup of salvation. May their eyes be opened to see the beauty and goodness of all that God has made. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all the baptised. We remember especially those children and their families in our parish who are being renewed in their faith through preparation for and celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for an end to the pitiless war in the Ukraine. May no more lives be wasted or cities wantonly destroyed. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the church in Australia. May the approaching anniversary of the Plenary Council's resolutions redouble our efforts to implement them in full. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the recently deceased, . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time. May they rejoice forever at the banquet of eternal life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Loving God, giver of all good gifts, we thank and praise you this day for the Body and Blood of Christ. Strengthen us with them for lives of generosity and service. We ask this through Christ our Lord.