

PRESIDER

Dear friends, Jesus calls on his disciples to be known by their all-embracing love. In response, let us pray with heartfelt love for all in need.

READER

We pray for Christian communities around the world, that they be vibrant centres of love, care and compassion. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all voters in this week's federal election, that they will consider carefully how best to vote for the common good. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray that Laudato Si Week, 16-23 May will inspire the human family, moved by the Spirit of God, to care for our common home and each other (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the people of every war-torn, divided and afflicted nation, that their hopes for relief and peace will be soon fulfilled. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all members of the Plenary Council, that they will prepare in a spirit of deep faith for the second and final assembly in July. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for families of every kind, that caring relationships and government policies will foster the good of families for the well-being of all. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the recently deceased . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will be make their home in the new and heavenly Jerusalem. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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God-ever-with-us, you make all things new. By the power of your Spirit, strengthen our desire to bring a new world to birth. We ask this through Christ our Lord.