

PRESIDER

Dear friends, by Christ's death on the cross God reconciled all things in heaven and on earth. Let us pray for the world to know the peace of Christ.

READER

We pray for our Australian Bishops who recently met in conference, that they will dedicate themselves to Christ's mission of reconciliation and peace. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the members of all Australia's parliaments, that they will honour the trust that has been placed in them and serve the nation with integrity. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for climate justice, that the wealthy nations of the world will take responsibility for aiding the peoples most at risk from the effects of climate change. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who feel isolated, unknown or excluded, that their local community will welcome and support them. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for reform of the gambling industry, that its hold on governments, the media and individuals will be effectively restrained. (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 inherit the kingdom prepared for them by the Father. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Unseen God, you have revealed yourself to us in Christ and made a place for us in his kingdom of peace. Help us lead one another out of darkness into your light. We ask this through Christ our Lord.