

**PRESIDER**

Dear friends, Jesus' selfless love has opened for us the way of salvation. Holding fast to him, let us pray for the life of the world.

**READER**

We pray for all who are persecuted or victimised for their religious beliefs, that their faith will give them the strength to stand firm. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for nations that enjoy prosperity and peace, that they will share their blessings with the multitude who have fled their homeland. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for Jewish communities around the world, that their celebration of Passover will deepen their faith in God's saving love. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all the disadvantaged communities aided by Project Compassion, that with our support they will grow strong and flourish. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for our parish community, that the services of Holy Week will renew and deepen our faith in Christ. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the recently deceased . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will be raised on high with Christ the Lord. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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God Most High, you raised your Son from the shame of the cross to the glory of heaven. Keep us true to his name. We ask this through Christ our Lord.