

PRESIDER

Dear friends, heartened by the saving word of God, let us pray with faith and hope and love for our troubled world.

READER

We pray for the church on this Mission Sunday, that ‘all hearts will be on fire and all feet on the move’ for the sake of the good news. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for world leaders as United Nations Day approaches (24 October), that they will work for peace, especially mindful of brutal bloodshed in Ukraine and the Holy Land. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all participants at the Synod on Synodality as the first session enters its final week, that their reflections will become a leaven of synodality for the People of God. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the people of Australia, whether First Nations, settlers, migrants or refugees, that we be united in our commitment to mutual respect, fairness and solidarity. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for tertiary and senior secondary students preparing for major exams, that they will do justice to their knowledge, gifts and skills and find a life-giving path ahead. (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 know the fulness of God’s grace and peace for ever. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Great and glorious God, you reveal your power to us in the sign of the cross. Help us walk faithfully in the footsteps of Jesus. We ask this through Christ our Lord.