

PRESIDER

Dear friends, those who show mercy to the poor and needy on earth are the ones Jesus welcomes into his heavenly realm. May the prayers we now pray be matched by our deeds.

READER

We pray for Pope Francis and all leaders of good will seeking to bring peace where there is violence. May their calls be heeded. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the thirsty. May the powerful of the world ensure that all members of the human family have ready access to safe drinking water. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the stranger. May there be a revolution of hospitality for all who are judged to be other than ourselves. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the naked. May those who have the least of world's goods be given all they need for a truly human life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the sick. May they be assured of the love and care of the whole community. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for those in prison. May they be treated fairly and be encouraged by the hope of freedom and new life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all taking part in the world climate conference in the United Arab Emirates (30 November-12 December) this week. May Pope Francis inspire them to care for the earth, our common home. (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 be brought to life in Christ, the first-born from the dead. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Shepherding God, guide us in the footsteps of your Son until we are raised with him and confess you forever as our all in all. We ask this through Christ our Lord.