PRESIDER

Dear friends, Jesus calls us to believe in the living God. Let us turn to God in prayer and ask for a heavenly blessing on all that lives.

READER

For Pope Francis and all religious leaders who speak against religious and racial discrimination, that they will continue to work for justice and peace. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For all victims of war and brutal aggression, that this year's Remembrance Day will call the whole of humanity on the path of peace. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For farmers, rural businesses and regional communities devastated by the floods in eastern Australia, that they will unite in enduring support for one another. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the Catholic Bishops of Australia, meeting in conference this week, that they will take decisive steps to implement the decrees of the Plenary Council. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For ourselves, that we will be converted from a culture of waste to one that helps sustain and protect the world's natural resources. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the recently deceased, those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, and those we remember especially in the month of November, that they will be forever alive to God in Christ. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

PRESIDER

O God, Creator and Sustainer of Life, you raised your Son to be the first-born from the dead. Deepen our faith in his promise of eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord.