PRESIDER

Dear friends, Jesus was transfigured so that we might be sustained in challenging times. Let us put our trust in the Risen Lord as we pray.

READER

We pray for Pope Francis and all bishops, that they continue to give witness to the hope of new life in the risen Lord. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for those burdened by personal circumstance, that they will be sustained in their need by our celebration of the Feast of Transfiguration. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for world leaders, that the deadly heatwaves, fires and drought afflicting the Northern Hemisphere will hasten effective action to curb global warming. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the people of Sri Lanka, that the political and economic crisis they face will be peacefully resolved. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the church in Australia, that the bold witness of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, whose feat we celebrate on Monday, will be a constant inspiration for missionary discipleship. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all members of federal Parliament, whether newly elected or returning, that they will serve the common good with integrity and wisdom. (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 receive the eternal inheritance promised them. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

PRESIDER

Holy God, your Son reassured Peter and the beloved disciples. May the witness and outreach of our lives sustain those in need. We ask this through Christ our Lord.