PRESIDER

Dear friends, once rejected by the builders, Christ has become the cornerstone of our faith. Relying on this solid foundation, let us pray for the life of the world.

READER

We pray for the world-wide church gathered with Pope Francis, that the synodal process will revitalise the Church's missionary spirit. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the Christian faithful around the world, that all the baptised in Christ will nourish their minds with what is true and noble and good. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the churches of Africa and Latin America, that the vines of the Gospel planted there will bear abundant fruit for the kingdom of God. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the voters of Australia, that they will prepare carefully and conscientiously this week for the Voice referendum and vote for what they truly believe is just and best. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all seminarians preparing to be ordained ministers in the Australian church, that they will become caring pastors and joyful preachers of God's word. (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 inherit the peace of God which the world cannot give. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

PRESIDER

God ever faithful and good, you have joined us to Jesus as branches of the one true vine. Bless us with your love, that our lives may bear much fruit. We ask this through Christ our Lord.