

**PRESIDER**

Dear friends, the realm of Jesus is one of truth, life, holiness and grace. Let us pray for all people on earth to dwell in his domain.

**READER**

We pray for the church around the world, that today's concluding festival of the liturgical year, the Solemnity of Christ our Universal King will be one of joyful celebration and source of ongoing hope. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the women of every nation, that tomorrow's UN Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (25 November) will help make them safe wherever they may be. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the people of Palestine, that this week's international Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (29 November) will reinforce their hope for a homeland of peace. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for journalists, artists, scientists and scholars, that they will be undaunted in their endeavour to seek and convey the truth in all its forms. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for those with formal responsibility for the safeguarding of minors, that the fulfilment of their obligations will protect children from harm and enable them to thrive. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the recently deceased . . . , those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, those listed in our Memorial Book and all the faithful departed, that they will join Jesus, the First-born from the dead, in the glorious courts of heaven. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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All-loving God, by his death on the cross Jesus your Son reconciled all things in heaven and on earth. In your goodness make us apostles of peace. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.