

## **PRESIDER**

Dear friends, the sight of Jesus' divine glory spurs us on our Lenten way. Let us pray with God's Beloved Son for a new heaven and a new earth.

## **READER**

We pray for all who revere Abraham as their father in faith. May Jews, Christians and the followers of Islam gladly work together for peace in the world. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the many nations undertaking elections this year. May those whom voters elect to office promote the common good with integrity, wisdom and courage. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for Caritas Australia's local partners in the Philippines. May the work of the Faithful Companions of Jesus enable young women to gain the education they need to secure the future of their families. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for families, youth workers and the police. May their efforts to divert young people away from gang violence open up other pathways towards a fulfilling life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for our parish community, especially those preparing for Christian initiation at Easter. May we listen intently to God's Beloved Son and faithfully follow him. (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 join Christ at God's right hand and reign with him for ever. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Holy God, in Christ we glimpse your glory. Keep our eyes fixed on him, our Leader in faith and your Beloved Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.