

PRESIDER

Dear friends, graced with freedom and life by Jesus, we pray for an end to the power of sin and death in our world.

READER

We pray for all the baptised. May our Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving liberate us from the false gods that hold sway in our hearts. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are trying to rise from the ashes of their lives. May our support for Project Compassion remind us that now is the time to turn to the Lord with all our hearts and embrace the needs of God's whole family.

We pray for all who are struggling to bring emergency aid to the stricken people of Turkey and Syria. May their efforts to shelter and feed the survivors save countless lives. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for those who work at the frontiers of science and technology. May their endeavours be guided by an ethic of what is truly good for humanity. (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 be led safely to eternal life by Christ the Lord. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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All-creating God, you made us in your likeness and gave us a new birth in Christ. Keep us close to him, your Son and our Lord, forever and ever.