

PRESIDER

Dear friends, Jesus opens our ears to hear his word and our mouths to proclaim it. With faith in his healing power, let us pray for the world to be made whole.

READER

We pray for Pope Francis, that he will be blessed with the health and strength he needs to maintain his global mission of peace, hope and fellowship. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for our divided world, that the International Eucharistic Congress taking place in Ecuador this week will achieve its aim of building 'fraternity to heal the world'. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for the millions in Sudan struggling to survive both war and devastating drought, that the world community will rally to their aid and save them from starvation. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those who are deaf or have a verbal disability, that teachers and practitioners of sign language will enable them to bridge the communication gap. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for our local faith community, that the poor and disadvantaged will always be made welcome and feel at home in our midst. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

We pray for those who have died recently . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will become a wholly new creation in Christ. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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Ever-loving God, you make all things new in Christ. Send us forth in his name to tend the wounds of the world. We ask this through the same Christ, our Lord.