

## **PRESIDER**

Dear friends, in company with the lepers of today's Gospel, let us beg God for healing, both for ourselves and for the whole of our wounded world.

## **READER**

We pray for the Body of Christ, the Church. May the Church's own need for healing deepen its compassion for all who are afflicted in body, mind or spirit. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the pilgrim people of God. May the 60th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council (11 October) remind all the baptised of their true dignity and missionary calling. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are implementing the Australian Plenary Council and preparing for the world Synod on Synodality. May they be guided by the power and wisdom of the Holy Spirit. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for couples whose desire for children has not been fulfilled and for women who have lost a child in pregnancy or infancy. May they be comforted. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for ourselves, our families and friends, and our parish community. May we recognise the blessings we enjoy and always give thanks for them. (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 live and reign with Christ in glory. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Saving God, you never cease to call us to yourself. Help us make your goodness known to the ends of the earth. We ask this through Christ our Lord.