

PRESIDER

Dear friends, Jesus calls us to open our eyes to God's saving work in our world. Let us pray with him for a new heaven and a new earth.

READER

We pray for the human family, that this week's United Nations' Days [for migrants](#) (18 December) and for [human solidarity](#) (20 December) will further Pope Leo's vision of a world fully shared by all. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for health services supporting persons with any form of disability, that they will affirm their dignity and gifts and assist them to take their rightful place in the community. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for those at greater risk of committing domestic violence at this festive time, that they will take positive steps to manage their impulse and keep everyone safe. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the Australian community, that our seasonal gift-giving will be generous, waste-conscious and mindful of the poor. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for one another, that we will grow ever more prayerful and peaceful through the remaining days of the Advent season. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for those who have died recently . . . , and those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will be raised to everlasting joy in the heavenly Jerusalem. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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Faithful God, in Christ Jesus your Son you make all things new. Dispel our doubts, refresh our hope, and help us show your glory to the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord.