

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 28 June 2026.

PRESIDER

Dear friends, Jesus calls on the apostles to make his mission their highest priority. Let us pray in faith for the coming of God's new world.

READER

We pray for Pope Leo and for Vatican diplomats around the world. May they be trusted intermediaries in the work of promoting of peace and justice for all. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for a world-wide spirit of hospitality. May nations work together to respond justly to rising migration from places of poverty, violence and climate change. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the Australian community. May there be a new appreciation of the role of taxes in funding the services that make for a fair society. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for international students in Australia. May they be made welcome, supported and enabled to flourish. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for our parish community. May this week's feasts of the apostles Peter and Paul (29 June) and Thomas (3 July) inspire all to bear witness to the Gospel. (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, especially Milena Ceccarelli. May they be raised by the Father's glory and be alive to God forever. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

PRESIDER

Holy God, your Son Jesus devoted himself to your dream for us. Give us the courage to take up our cross and follow him. We ask this through Christ our Lord.