

**Celebrant:** Today we lift up our hearts in prayer that God’s compassion and mercy will be open to those most in need.

1 For the Church: that we may recognize our dependence upon God for all things and let go of our attempts to control our own lives.

[pause]

Lord hear us.  
Lord hear our prayer.

2 For those who work in all areas of human rights: driven by their belief in the dignity of every human being, may their efforts bear fruitful outcomes.

[pause]

Lord hear us.

3 For all who find life burdensome and lacking meaning: that God’s Word will touch their hearts and open before them the beauty and value that God unfolds each day for us.

[pause]

Lord hear us.

4 For all families that are divided by inheritance and financial issues: that God will help them recognize the value and dignity of each other and guide them to a resolution of their conflicts.

[pause]

Lord hear us.

5 For our faith community as we gather in worship: may we find meaning and fulfilment in what we already have and reach out to provide for those in need.

[pause]

**Lord hear us.**

6 We pray that those who are ill may be strengthened in their struggle and pain.- especially Rosanna Patoki, Joe Grech, Windsor Jones, Aaron D’Ortona, Nunzio Di Gioia, Mary Theuma, Kevin Scanlon, John Moore, Oscar Ferrante, Anna Romeo, Rosalind Vincent, Josephina Varghese, Marie Virag, Kath Leyden, Dalmiro Bellio, Lamberto Cruz, Pasquale Buonomo and Sofia Ruggiero.

[pause]

**Lord hear us.**

7 For the recently deceased, especially: Antonio (Tonino) Petrone, Jose Thomas, Peter Chiavaroli, Eric Emond, Rev Norman Ford SDB PE, Rev Francis Arnold PE and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially, Kay Feain, Jeffrey Saviour Denny, Francesco Cicala, Antonina Ambessi and Vincenzo Rizzo. May they share fully in the glory of God’s promise.

[pause]

**Lord hear us.**

**Celebrant:**

**God of life, receive these prayers of intercession.**

**May your mercy flow in abundance upon all who are in need.**

**We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord**

**Amen.**