

**Celebrant: We gather in faith before our God and we confidently offer our prayers for ourselves and our world.**

- 1 We pray for Pope Francis and all Church leaders: may their words and actions foster peace and reconciliation throughout our world.  
[pause] **Lord hear us.**  
Lord hear our prayer.
- 2 We pray for political, civil and business leaders throughout the world: may they move beyond power and control, and work for the good of all people.  
[pause] **Lord hear us.**
- 3 We pray for all those affected by violence and war, especially those in Ukraine and Russia: may the healing, merciful love of God flood the lives of those who suffer violence, and transform the hearts of those who perpetrate it, so that all homes, communities and nations might become havens of peace.  
[pause] **Lord hear us.**
- 4 We pray for all families and communities devastated by the floods in the eastern states: that they will receive the support and find the resilience they need to cope with their losses. [pause] **Lord hear us.**
- 5 We pray for Special Ministers of Eucharist: that God will bless them as they minister to the people of God. [pause] **Lord hear us.**
- 6 We pray for our parish community, especially the children from St Oliver's who were Confirmed on Friday: may the Holy Spirit fill and bless them and may they continue to be strengthened in their relationship with God.  
[pause] **Lord hear us.**
- 7 We pray for the sick among us and for all who have asked for our prayers especially: Oscar Ferrate, Peter Cushen, Anna Romeo, Rosalind Vincent, Josephina Varghese, Marie Virag, Kath Leyden, Amelie Gutierrez, Dalmiro Bellio, Lamberto Cruz, Pasquale Buonomo and Sofia Ruggiero.  
[pause] **Lord hear us.**
- 8 For those who have died recently especially Eric Manning and Debra Murdoch and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Maria Cavalieri, Giovanni Cavalieri, Antonio Vescio and John Cocomello. Lead them all into the fullness of life.  
[pause] **Lord hear us.**

**Celebrant:**

**God of love,**

**may your peace and mercy be on all those who cry out to you.**

**Grant us the grace to rejoice in your saving Word.**

**We ask this in Jesus' name.**

**Amen.**