

PRIEST: Lord God, creator of all things, in our prayers we bring before you the concerns of our lives, our communities and our world. Today we begin by praying for those on the threshold of change.

READER: We pray for Pope Francis and all who lead the Church; that, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, they may continue to guide and shepherd us along the path of faith.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: On this Sea Sunday weekend, let us ask God to protect all seafarers and fishers, who work hard on the perilous sea, to bring us so many of the goods that we rely on our daily lives. May they always feel the loving embrace of our Heavenly Father.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.

READER: On a day of sporting finals, we pray for all sportsmen and -women who are competing, for the winners and for those who have to endure the disappointment of losing. We ask God to make them inspiring role models for young people. (Pause) Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We reach out our prayers to anyone who is distressed, whether in heart, mind, body or spirit. We ask the Holy Spirit to be with them, and we ask for God's guidance to show us how we can play our part in relieving the suffering of those who are known to us. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially the sick of our own Parish; William Moran, Hughie Quinn, Father Fred Sheldon, Damian Poole, Angela and Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Ken Shirley, Lena Gallagher, Danny Meadows, Jennifer O'Donnell, John Kavanagh, Michael, Kavanagh, Kevin McDaid, James Brown, John McCarthy, Sandra Evans, Christopher Edmund Poole, Catherine Walton, Philip Saunders, Molly Saunders, Eileen Nolan, Savio Baretto, Joan Gibson, Eddie Martin, Thelma Cole, Helen Brookes, Eileen Doyle, Briege Williams, Jonathan Williams, Anthony O'Neill, Philomena Baretto, Michael, Aidan, Patrick (junior and senior) and Anne O'Donnell, Margaret Hughes, Frank Owen and our families wherever they may be. May they find hope and healing and may we all find ways of responding to their needs.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We remember those who have died recently: Sandra Margaret Barry, David Cahill, Bridie Burke, Richard Minto, Mary Frances Williams, John Traynor, Mary Christina Hayes, Julia Keaveney, Maria Ann Sharples, Mary Ellen Drew, Maurice Dunbar, Bridie Cuddy and Tony Wigmore; we pray that they all may be brought to life in Christ who has destroyed death as the final enemy under His feet.

We also remember those with anniversaries at this time: Bridie Haigh, Mark Jonathan Gibson, Laurence Charles Westoby Marshall, Anthony Joseph Quinn, Margaret Bixby, William Hayes, Colin John Finan, Patrick John Withers, Simon Bugden, Martha Mary Ward, David John Mitchell, Desmond O'Dwyer, John Robert (Bob) Melton, Marie Rita Wheeler, Geraldine Marie Gill, Canon Kelly, John Harvey, Yvonne Margaret Derbyshire.

(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: as we say- Hail Mary... Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions and for those intentions placed in the prayer box.

PRIEST: Lord God, we lift our prayers to you in the sure knowledge that you hear us and respond. Amen.