

PRIEST: Loving Lord, in the midst of the storms and uncertainties of life you call us to be aware of your presence and to trust in your care. We bring before you the needs of the Church and of the world.

READER: Let us pray for Pope Leo, as he continues his ministry of leadership and service. May he strengthen the Church in faith, encouraging unity among Christians and enabling the Gospel to be heard in today's world. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: On this Father's Day, we remember all the people who have nurtured us, especially the important men in our lives, those who have seen, not just with their eyes, but with their heart. Hear our prayer for fathers around the world. We thank you for the gift of fathers — for their love, guidance, and protection. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for our own communities. As schools and colleges reach the end of the academic year and many young people are thinking about their future, may they be supported and encouraged in their choices. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: In our prayers we remember healthcare workers, carers, emergency services personnel and all those who place themselves at the service of others. May they be sustained in their work and appreciated for all they do. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for those who have died recently: **Bob Dibble, Glynis Hawkins, Philip Gartland, Henry Oliver Price, James Harding, Helen Mary McGrath, Eileen Ponsonby, Eamonn Cassidy, Mary Gately, Debra Marie Murray, Nicholas Ian Barnett, Susan Kelly, John Burke, David and Edna Powers and Julie Agnew.** We also remember all those with anniversaries at this time. (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 **Father Pat Sayles, Angela Keating, Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Helen Brookes, Briega Williams, Jonathan Williams, Father Michael White, Larry Perkins, Tom Duffy, Vito and Ledda Piccolo, Ronan Gosh, Mary Cassidy, Jess Stanton and Philomena Kenny.** (Pause).

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: 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: God our Father, you know our needs and hear our prayers. Receive these and those we hold in our hearts, through Christ our Lord. Amen.