

PRIEST: Lord, you asked your disciples why they were so afraid in the midst of the storm. You were with them, keeping them safe. As we come before you today, we are confident that you have our best interests at heart

READER: In our stormy world, we pray for Pope Francis and all religious leaders. May they inspire us to work for peace and greater understanding so that we can live in hope and harmony.

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

READER: Approximately a quarter of the world's population are eligible to vote this year. May elections be safe, free and fair, bringing results which will benefit the greatest number of people.

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

READER: As the exam season draws to a close, many young people are making important decisions for their future. May the Holy Spirit guide them, their families and their mentors in their choices.

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

READER: Many people are preparing for their summer holidays. May they travel safely, enjoy times of relaxation and discovery, and return home filled with happiness and good memories.

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

READER: Countless people are facing storms and insecurity because of warfare and violence. May peacemakers find effective ways to bring security and justice to the places most in need of their support. (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, Peter 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, Pauline Samathar, Michael, Aidan, Patrick (senior and junior) and Anne O'Donnell, Frank Owen, Philomena Baretto** 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: **Richard Minto, Mary Frances Williams, John Traynor, Mary Christina Hayes, Julia Keaveney, Maria Ann Sharples, Mary Ellen Drew, Pat Butler, Patricia Belcher, Joan Doyle, Pauline Waters,** 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: **Helen Lawrence, James McKenna, Josephine Murphy, Fiona Kavanagh, Kathleen Elizabeth Breakwell, Patricia Jean Mullane, Mary Alfreda Draper, Bridget Barron, Mary McDermott, Patrick William O'Sullivan, Frank Twedde, Patricia Ann Jenkins, Daniel Michael O'Connor.** (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 of life and hope, calm our anxieties. Help us to grow in faith and love of you and each other. Amen.