

PRIEST: Loving Lord, as we hear in today's Gospel, the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on you. We set our gaze upon you now as you hear our prayers we place before you.

READER: We pray for Pope Francis as he reminds us, 'the poorest should not be made to pay for the imbalances of society.' Let us speak up against the injustice we see, help us to raise our voice to those with influence to change outcomes for those that are deprived. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: As we celebrate 'Sunday of the Word of God' this weekend, we pray for the Church, that we may continue to respond to the word of God which is proclaimed in our midst. We also pray for all who listen as the Scriptures are proclaimed, that God's word may find in them a fruitful field.

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

READER: We remember the people, at least 76, who died in the Turkey ski resort hotel; we remember all those who mourn them and we give thanks for the firefighters who worked tirelessly to save lives.

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

READER: We pause to pray in remembrance of our lost loved ones. We give thanks for the lives of those special individuals that lit up our world with unconditional love and devotion. We reflect upon how much we miss them and how grateful we are to have walked beside them.

(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; Benjamin Wort, William Moran, Hughie Quinn, Rosie McConnelly, Damian Poole, Angela and Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Ken Shirley, Danny Meadows, Jennifer O'Donnell, John 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, Helen Brookes, Briege Williams, Jonathan Williams, Anthony O'Neill, Michael, Patrick, Aiden & Anne O'Donnell, Margaret Hughes, Paulina Samathar, Philomena Baretto, Patrick Hickey, Father Michael White, Father Andrew McCann, Father Gerard Kelly, Father Tony Rohan, Doreen and Wilson Cotton, Cornelius O'Callaghan, Anitrea Sires, Juliana Benjamin, Bridget McNamara, Ellen Gilmore and Chelsea O'Callaghan 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 pray those who have died recently: Father Fred Sheldon, Monsignor Graham Wilkinson, Raphael Lee, Laura Bourke, Joe Westman, Mary Johnson, Margaret Rochfort, Albert John Bliss, Jack Muldoon, Pat Craddock, Bernadette Carbery, Samuel Robinson and Brian Williams : 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.

(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: Heavenly Father, fill us with your spirit. Stay with us as we embark on new adventures and when facing any challenges this year. We make our prayers through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.