

PRIEST: We bring the needs of the world to you, Living God; that you might show us how we can be the answer to these prayers, even in the smallest way. We pray for inspiration and guidance, and for the strength and courage to play our part.

READER: We pray for Pope Francis as he canonises fourteen new saints, asking that their lives might be an inspiration for all people of faith. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: With the changing of the clocks, we pray for farmers and shift workers, asking God to sustain them through the coming winter months. We give thanks for those who keep working while others sleep – for the health workers who staff our hospitals, and for those who work for the emergency services to keep us safe. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for the Church; that it will be faithful to the Gospel message, characterised by love, joy, peace and praise. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.

READER: As our lawmakers consider the provision of physician-assisted suicide, we pray that our representatives in parliament listen to their consciences and the Holy Spirit guides them in all their decision-making. (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, Danny Meadows, Jennifer O'Donnell, Catherine Walton, Philip Saunders, Molly Saunders, 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, Vincent Antonio de Costa, Chelsea O'Callaghan, Doreen and Wilson Cotton** 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 that those touched by shadows of bereavement, may feel themselves close to their dear ones, through him whose light even death could not overcome We remember those who have died recently: Dermot McCready, Robert William Bennison, Chris McClean, Rita Terry, David Wenlock, Eileen Doyle, Teresa Maiden : 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: We bring these prayers to you, Lord, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray and lived out in his own life the qualities that we seek to foster in the Church
