

PRIEST: Saints Peter and Paul lived and died spreading the good news of God's love for all people of every time, place and situation.

READER: We pray for Pope Leo and for all Church leaders. May they inspire many people to live with the courage and faith they need to be authentic witnesses of God's love. (Pause) Lord hear us. **Response:** Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for the people of Venezuela following the devastating earthquakes. We pray that the survivors find the courage and support that they urgently need; and those who have died, will rest in peace. May God watch over, protect and bless the efforts of the emergency services and rescuers. May all find comfort in their grief. (Pause) Lord hear us. **Response:** Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for travellers and for everyone who works to keep life functioning as normally as possible during this time of unusually high temperatures. May they be blessed for their generosity and helpfulness to the people around them. (Pause) Lord hear us. **Response:** Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for our parish community. May we reach out with tenderness to those who feel on the margins and be signs of God's life-giving love in our neighbourhoods. (Pause) Lord hear us. **Response:** Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for students, staff and governors at our Parish Secondary School, dedicated to St Peter. (Pause) Lord hear us. **Response:** Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for those who have died recently: Sonya O'Shea, 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 of life and compassion, hear the prayers we offer in faith. Heal our wounds, strengthen our hope, and draw us ever closer to your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.