

INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 25th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B

Home Mission Day

PRIEST: Our faith appears to contradict the wisdom of the world today. Where the Gospel is preached and lived authentically, there is opposition and evil which tries to destroy it. We ask the Lord to strengthen our faith today.

READER: Let us pray for Christian men and women in every corner of the earth. In God's infinite love we have each been called to overcome our biases and prejudices with honesty and justice. Let us pray that, we may be united in God's love and compassion. **Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.**

We pray for all those suffering the evils of terror, violence and slavery. We pray for those responsible and those with the power, that they may have a change of heart and help the poorest in society. **Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.**

Let us pray for missionaries and for the people they serve in God's vineyard. May their work and witness be fruitful. **Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.**

We pray for all those who are working for understanding and tolerance in our multi-faith world. May we, members of this Catholic community, take the lead in building bridges of friendship and understanding with other faiths in our neighbourhood. **Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.**

Let us pray for all who mourn that they may be comforted. We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially the sick of our own parish, and families wherever they may be. **Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.**

Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions.
Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: **Hail Mary...**

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-living God
As we share in this Eucharist together, increase our hope in the Resurrection. We ask this through Christ Jesus our Lord. AMEN