INTERCESSIONS FOR THE Christ the King of the Universe (B) World Youth Day

PRIEST: As we come to this Eucharist, may we be aware of the suffering Christ our King endured for his people. May we be led by the love and compassion of our God.

READER: Let us pray for all young people. May this be a time of inspiration and strength to renew their faith in God and their vocation, as married couples, single, religious, priests, and all who help build the reign of God on Earth. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for those oppressed by depression, illness and infirmity. May the health services and carers truly put their patients welfare before the cost. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for Missionaries, especially those living and working in difficult and dangerous situations. May Christ the King strengthen and encourage them in proclaiming God's love and compassion. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for the displaced, the homeless, those without the means to live. Grant us the vision to recognise them as brothers and sisters and the ability to help them with Justice and Compassion. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for all who risk their lives for the process of peace and justice. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for all who are sick and for all who are in hospital that they may be aware that the Lord is with them in their suffering. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for those who have recently died... and for all our dead... and for all who mourn that they may be comforted. Lord hear us: Lord graciously hear us

In the silence of our hearts, let us pray for our own families and friends.

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us. Hail Mary ...

PRIEST: God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks and praise and glorify you for the gift of Christ our King. May the reign of God be a reality in our lives we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**