

## INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

**PRIEST:** We have heard and listened to the word of God and we are challenged to see and treat everyone with respect and dignity even our enemies. We call and the Lord to teach us and guide us.

**READER:** Recognising that we are the living temples of the Holy Spirit, we ask the Lord to help us see others that way. **Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

**READER:** Let us pray for the unemployed and those who are about to lose their means of livelihood. Help them to overcome their sense of despair and rejection, may they find the help they need. **Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

Let us pray that God may keep missionaries in his special care and grant them the faith, strength and protection they need today. **Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who are working for understanding and tolerance in our multi-faith, multi-cultural world. Help us take the lead in building bridges of friendship and understanding with other faiths and cultures in our neighbourhood.

**Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

We pray that our leaders and politicians and those with the power and ability make real efforts to recognise and help the poorest in society. **Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially those who have no-one to care for them. **Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer.**

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.

**PRIEST:** Almighty and ever-living God  
your in your goodness we are forgiven loved and cared for more than we can understand.  
As we share in this Eucharist together  
may our work, the fruit of our lives be seen as true worship.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN