INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 20th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C

PRIEST: United in the faith we have professed we turn to the Lord with all our needs.

READER: We pray that all Christian communities gathered at the Lord's Table, may be seen as a people who hear and are filled with the spirit of wisdom. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

We pray that we may be a people who choose to follow Christ on the way to perfection by rejecting all that hinders and distracts us from true discipleship. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for Missionaries today, who bring the good news of hope, may they be graced with the faith and courage they need to build communities of faith. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

We pray for the people of the Ukraine, and all those who have died in the violence there. May Christ help all peoples find reconciliation and peace. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the world's leaders and diplomats that all nations may work together to build a world of justice, peace and hope for future generations. Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.

Let us remember the poor and destitute, the displaced and homeless and pray that the world's wealth and abundance may be justly shared with all who are in need. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

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 troubles. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

We pray for those who have recently died and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, may they find the fullness of life in Christ. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

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

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

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-living God,

we give thanks for the bread of life we are about to share, grant that we be filled with love and hope.

we ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN