

PRIEST: Gathering together our needs and the needs of the world
we turn to our heavenly Father and pray:

READER: **For all who lead and guide the Church, that their spirits
may be filled with the richness of God's love.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For leaders of nations and all in government,
that they may seek to recognise the needs of the poor
and, in response, act to relieve their suffering .**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all children in care, that they may experience
the love and comfort of supportive families.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For the members of our own community,
that we may grow in holiness as we strive
to live as Jesus teaches us in The Beatitudes.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who suffer from any form of illness,
that they may feel the healing touch of God's love.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who value nothing higher than wealth or status,
that they may discover their true and only dignity as
children of God and so be blessed with the knowledge of God's love**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: Heavenly Father,
we ask you to hear and answer our prayers
which we offer through your Son, Jesus Christ.