

PRIEST: With gratitude for the gift of the Eucharist,
which strengthens and renews us,
we turn to the Father with our prayers and petitions:

READER: **For the Church,
that all those who lead us and guide us in our faith
will help us to live as the one Body of Christ,
growing ever closer to Jesus.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For world leaders, that they will always strive
to satisfy the human hunger for peace and justice.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are in need, that richer peoples and nations
will share their bread and wealth with those who are poor.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our parish community, and for all who hunger
for meaning and purpose in their lives, that our needs
will be satisfied by turning to Jesus, the living bread.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are sick, especially those who are close to death
that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father, as we celebrate today's feast,
hear our prayers and grant us a love of the Eucharist
that will never grow stale
but will deepen and intensify
all the days of our life.
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.