

PRIEST: God is love and commands us to live in that same love.
Let us turn to him and pray for the strength to live as the Lord teaches:

READER: **For Francis our Pope, that he will be blessed with the gifts
of the Holy Spirit and so lead the Church in the ways of the Lord.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For the Church, that it may truly be a sign of salvation
pointing towards Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our world, especially for all those who live in poverty,
that we may share more justly the many resources God has given us.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own parish community, that each of us will reflect
the love of Christ by the way we live our lives.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For those who suffer from any form of mental illness,
that they will receive the support and understanding they need
from their families and the wider community.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are sick or suffering in any way, that they will be
strengthened by the knowledge of Christ's love for them.**
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father,
you have revealed your love for us
in the death and Resurrection of Jesus your Son.
Increase our love for one another
that we may be your disciples in name and in truth.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.