PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

PRIEST: Seeking to serve God with humble and grateful hearts
let us offer our prayers and petitions:

READER: **For all who are called to lead the Church,**
especially Leo our Pope and Bosco our Bishop,
that the Holy Spirit may continue to guide and strengthen them.
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For the leaders of nations and all those in positions of authority,**
that love, more than law, may be the inspiration of all they do..
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all those who are preparing to make, or have recently**
celebrated, their First Holy Communion:
that they will always be nourished by the Eucharist.
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own parish community gathered here:**
that we may we learn kindness and generosity
at this table of the Lord.
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who are sick or suffering in any way,**
that they will find comfort and healing in Christ.
(pause)
Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: Merciful Father,
your love for us surpasses all our hopes and desires;
forgive our failings, keep us in your peace
and lead us in the way of salvation
We ask this through Christ our Lord.