SUGGESTED PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Response:
Lord hear our prayer

For the Church, Mother to all:
That in the midst of divisions, prejudices and conflict she may be the sacrament of communion for all people. We pray to the Lord:

For the Holy Father Pope Francis:
That his ministry may continue to teach us all how to become more and more doers of the Word and not merely listeners. We pray to the Lord:

For the Leaders of the Nations of the world:
That they may actively promote peace amongst all nations and people. We pray to the Lord:

We pray for the Leaders of our Country:
Australia, which shines with the precious gifts of our traditional owners and of all who through the centuries have come across the seas, that they may enact policies of dialogue and understanding, of welcome and solidarity. We pray to the Lord:

We pray for refugees, with particular attention to unaccompanied minors: Who are forced to escape violence, war and persecution in the hopes of finding a safe home and brighter future. That we may become ever more aware of their plight and do all within our power to bring shed light and truth of their situation to our wider society. We pray to the Lord:

We pray for all migrants, and the families of migrants left behind: Who, through the years, have graced Australia with the gifts of their lives, culture, work and their faith. May we be attentive to the needs of migrants in our communities and become witnesses to the Gospel of Christ. We pray to the Lord:

For those who provided care and safety to migrants in our community:
May they be strengthened by the promise of the Gospel, that whatever they do the least is done to Jesus Christ himself. We pray to the Lord.

For the dead:
In particular all those who have died seeking a better life. We particularly keep in mind, those who have perished in our seas and oceans in recent times. May God, who sees all, welcome them to everlasting life, and bring comfort to their families. We pray to the Lord.