## Season of Lent: Sunday 1A General Intercessions

## **Priest**

As we begin our Lenten journey, let us turn with confidence to God the Father, who knows our needs, and ask his help in preparing for a worthy celebration of Easter.

## Reader

1. For our Holy Father, and for the leaders of all Christian Churches: that they may be ambassadors of justice and peace throughout the world.

**PAUSE** for silent prayer — at least **five** seconds, please. Repeat after each intention.

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

- 2. We pray that this season of Lent may be for us a time of renewal, and result in our appreciation of those things which have real and lasting value.
- 3. For the leaders of all nations, especially those in Russia and Ukraine: that they will be able to find a way, through dialogue and understanding, to bring an end to the conflict.
- 4. For all who are suffering because of natural disasters, especially in Turkey and Syria: that they will get the help and support they need to rebuild both their medical and physical needs.
- 5. For the sick and the dying, and for their family and friends: that they will be supported by God's love, and be able to put their trust in Him.
- 6. For our deceased relatives and friends: that they may enjoy the peace and joy of the kingdom of God.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers to ours: Hail Mary ...

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Grant us, almighty God, that through this yearly observance of Lent we may enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ and draw upon its power in the way we conduct our lives.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.