Season of Ordinary Time: Sunday 26B Harvest Family Fast Day General Intercessions

Priest

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart; and so with confidence we pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For peace and harmony in the Church, so that the gospel may be preached by word and deed.

 ${\it PAUSE}$ for silent prayer — at least ${\it five}$ seconds, please. Repeat after each intention

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

- 2. For those who suffer hunger; that our self-denial this coming Harvest Fast Day will help to ease their plight; we pray for the work of CAFOD throughout the world.
- 3. For the gift of forgiveness and reconciliation, and the healing of hurts; for all who are suffering the trauma of war and violence.
- 4. For all who have suffered abuse: that their sense of security and self-worth will be restored; may they find the courage to forgive and reclaim their lives.
- For the old, the lonely, the handicapped and the sick: we ask God to strengthen them with the warmth of His presence.
- 6. For all our deceased relatives and friends: may they share in the peace and happiness of God's kingdom.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

God of heaven and earth, your incomparable power is shown above all in your willingness to forgive and show mercy; let your grace descend upon us without ceasing, that we may strive for the things you have promised and come to share the treasures of heaven.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.