Season of Ordinary Time: Sunday 34C - Christ the King Youth Day

General Intercessions

Priest

The Father has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves. With great confidence, then, we pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the Church, especially its members who are persecuted and imprisoned: may God's presence give them hope in their times of darkness.

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

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

2. For all world leaders:

> that they will govern justly, with respect for the rights of all, and that God will bless them with wisdom and compassion.

- 3. For our young people, and all involved in their education: that we will be a Church where young people know that their voices are heard, and where they are enabled to use their gifts for the good of all.
- 4. For all who are ill, at home in care, in hospital, or the hospice: that God will grant them healing and mercy.
- 5. For all suffering financial hardship: may they find strength in the Lord to persevere; and may those who are able, be generous in assisting all who are in need.
- 6. For all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries we keep: may the Lord welcome them into the light of glory.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

Almighty and eternal God, you chose to restore all things in Christ your Son, who is king of heaven and earth. Grant that all creation, set free from the bondage of sin and death, may offer homage to your majesty and join in singing your eternal praise. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.