

## Prayers of the faithful

- CELEBRANT:** The Lord has chosen us and blessed us, and so we seek him confidently with our prayers.
- READER:** For our Church leaders: we pray that their leadership inspires us to value the unique dignity of all humans and keep working towards a just and compassionate society where all community members have an opportunity “to live life to the full”. In faith we pray:
- ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer**
- READER:** For our parish community: we pray that we may continue to grow as witnesses, walking more intentionally in Jesus’ footsteps to offer care, compassion and hope in our encounters with others. In faith we pray:
- ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer**
- READER:** For the staff and volunteers of CatholicCare Victoria: we pray that their daily work results in delivering services and programs that are grounded in love, leading to connection, improved relationships, and transformed life experiences for those who need support. In faith we pray:
- ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer**
- READER:** For those who are ill: we pray that they may be strengthened in their struggle and pain and may receive the healing power of God. *We pray especially for.....*  
In faith we pray:
- ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer**
- READER:** For those who have loved us and gone before us in death: we pray that they may rejoice in the Father’s kingdom. *We pray especially for.....*  
In faith we pray:
- ALL:** **Lord, hear our prayer**
- CELEBRANT:** Loving God, you calm our fears and doubts, and are eager to bless us. Hear these petitions which we humbly place under your tender gaze, through Christ our Saviour and Lord.

**Amen**