### Prayer of the Faithful

# 3rd Sunday of Lent, Year C

**Presider**

We gather in faith before our God and we confidently offer our prayers for ourselves and our world.

**Reader**

We pray for Pope Francis and all Church leaders. May their words and actions foster peace and reconciliation throughout our world.

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for political, civil and business leaders throughout the world. May they move beyond power and control, and work for the good of all people.

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those affected by violence and war, especially those in Ukraine and Russia. May the healing, merciful love of God flood the lives of those who suffer violence, and transform the hearts of those who perpetrate it, so that all homes, communities and nations might become havens of peace.

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

In this Lenten season, we pray for our faith community, and for a deeper sense of repentance, forgiveness and reconciliation among ourselves and in our world.

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**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for …

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**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the sick of our parish and for all who care for them.  
We remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Lead them all into the fullness of your life.

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Presider**

God of love, may your peace and mercy be on all those who cry out to you. Grant us the grace to rejoice in your saving Word. We ask this in Jesus’ name.  
**Amen.**