### Prayer of the Faithful

# 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

### Presider

God brings comfort, consolation and hope to all people. May our prayers today bear witness to our faith in God who refuses kindness to no one.

### Reader

We pray for Pope Francis and all Church leaders who model the call to be labourers for the Lord’s harvest. May more of us respond to this call for more labourers for the mission of the Church.

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

We pray that we may all be comforted by the image given to us by Isaiah in which God’s love for us is likened to that of a mother for her child.

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

Today, in preparation for NAIDOC Week, let us acknowledge and celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the many contributions they have made to this country. May they see an end to their ongoing struggle for justice and equality in the land we share.

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

We pray for our faith community. May each of us, in our own way, make a commitment to bear witness, in our daily lives, to our faith in God.

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

We pray for …

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

We pray for the sick of our parish and for all who have asked for our prayers.
We pray for all those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries we remember at this time. May they now be rejoicing in God’s kingdom.

Lord hear us

### Presider

God of love, may your peace and mercy be upon all those who cry out to you today. Grant us the grace to rejoice in your saving word. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
**Amen.**