General intercessions

The Third Sunday of Advent (C)

Celebrant:

The Lord is in our midst, and with peace in our hearts we bring our needs to him.

Reader:

That the Kingdom of God, ushered into our world by the coming of Christ, may be brought closer to fulfilment by our faithfulness:

Lord, hear us ...

That our world's leaders may have the wisdom and courage to serve those they represent by seeking the way of peace rather than conflict:

Lord, hear us ...

That expectant couples may experience the joy that comes with every new life and find strength to overcome any difficulties they may face:

Lord, hear us ...

That we may strive to fulfil our duties to others and use our gifts to ease the sufferings and promote the wellbeing of all our brothers and sisters,

Lord, hear us ...

That those who are burdened by sickness or anxiety may experience God's peace and the joy of His presence:

Lord, hear us ...

That those who have died may enter into eternal light and life with the Lord, *Lord, hear us* ...

Celebrant:

Let us seek the help of Mary, Ark of the Covenant, as we say, Hail, Mary...

Father, you call your people to rejoice at the coming of Your Son. Make our joy complete as you grant these petitions. Through Christ our Lord.