## **General intercessions**

The Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul

**Celebrant:** The Lord Jesus built his Church on the apostles. United with them we now present our needs to God.

## **Reader:**

For the Successor of St. Peter, Pope Leo, that he may strengthen the Church in faith and encourage our sense of communion with each other: *Lord, hear us* ...

For all bishops, especially our own Bishop, Ralph, that they may grow in their union with Peter and lead us by the grace of the Holy Spirit: *Lord, hear us* ...

For all whom, like the apostles, are persecuted for their faith, that we may be faithful when we are ridiculed or insulted for practicing our religion: *Lord, hear us* ...

That we may seek to promote the Common Good and encourage those who take risks for peace so that all may live in peace,

Lord, hear us ...

That the sick and the suffering may, through the intercession of the holy apostles, may experience the Lord's saving help:

Lord, hear us ...

That the Lord, who bestowed the palm of martyrdom upon St Peter and St Paul, may grant eternal life to all who have died:

Lord, hear us ...

## Celebrant:

Let us seek the prayers of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles: Hail Mary ...

Father, we rejoice to believe in the Gospel and to be united with the successors of your Apostles. Increase our fidelity to your Son. Through the same, Christ our Lord.