

## **General intercessions**

*First Sunday in Lent (A)*

**Celebrant:** We place our trust in God alone. Mindful of His care for us, we now pray.

**Reader:**

That the Gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ may reach every person on earth:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That this Lenten season may bring grace to our family and friends who no longer practice their faith:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That all may reject the temptation to "be like gods" and claim mastery over human life; instead, may we accept and reverence life as the supreme gift of the Creator:

*Lord, hear us ...*

For the poor and homeless, the unemployed and all who suffer or who are oppressed: that the love of the Christ may sustain them,

*Lord, hear us ...*

For the sick and dying, that they may know the presence of Christ and never be tempted to doubt his enduring love,

*Lord, hear us ...*

For all who have been called from this life; that they may come to share in the victory of the Cross of Christ:

*Lord, hear us ...*

**Celebrant:**

Let us seek the prayers of Our Lady of Mercy: *Hail Mary...*

Father, your Son Jesus showed us how to reject temptation. Fill us with grace that we may be faithful to you in this Lenten season and throughout our lives. Through Christ our Lord.