

Holy and righteous God, hear the prayers we bring for your people
and answer when we call on you.

We pray for the peoples of the world, for those who
live in degradation and despair, for the oppressed
and the dispossessed.

When our brothers and sisters live in poverty
because of others' greed,
when we play a part in the oppression of others,
put a new spirit within us, that we may follow your
path of justice

Holy God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for Australia, for its indigenous peoples, for
more recent settlers and for all who have come
seeking refuge and opportunity.

When our sisters and brothers are treated with
prejudice or contempt,
when we stand silent in the face of intolerance and
discrimination,
put a new spirit within us, that we may be
reconciled to one another.

Holy God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for your worldwide church, for the World
Council of Churches, for the churches of this land
and for all who serve you in this place.

When our brothers and sisters cannot eat together at
your table.

when our words or actions prevent your gospel
being heard,

put a new spirit within us, that we may faithfully
proclaim your word.

Holy God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for all in this community, for those with whom we share our lives, for our families, our friends and for ourselves.

When our sisters and brothers are hungry and cold, when we are dishonest or selfish in our dealings with others,
put a new spirit within us, that we may walk in your way of love.

Holy God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are in need, for the heart-broken and the grief-stricken, for the sick, the dying and all who care for them.

When our brothers and sisters are lonely for companionship and love, when we push the frail and vulnerable to the edges of society,
put a new spirit within us, that we may care for one another.

Holy God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Within our Parish we pray for: READ Weekly Prayer sheet

We pray for the departed, for our sisters and brothers who have loved and served you with heart and soul. Put a new spirit within us, that, when we come to the end of our earthly days, our lives may be an offering acceptable in your sight and we may live, with all your saints, in the joy of your eternal presence.

Holy God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We offer our prayers together as we pray:

God of peace,
you call us to fulfil the spirit of your law
in righteousness, purity of heart and reconciliation.
Make us one in the bond of your charity;
take from our midst all enmity and malice,
so that by embracing one another in mutual forgiveness
we may offer at your altar
a gift that is worthy of your gospel.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

And then place the folder ON THE ALTAR.