Prayer of the Faithful

Reader:	That the Church will serve as an icon of mercy, while drawing the eyes of the world in hope towards the coming of the Lord, We pray to the Lord
Reader:	That community leaders and civil servants be unwavering in their dedication to the good of all the people they represent, with a compassionate priority for those especially vulnerable among us,
Reader:	That we may grow in our ability to see Christ in the faces of the poor, the grieving, and the lonely; by seeing the Face of Christ in others, may our loving response and service reflect our love of Jesus Christ himself, We pray to the Lord
Reader:	In honour of those who have offered their lives in order to protect the innocent and to preserve freedom and peace, may we all live in a way that protects or fosters peace,
Reader:	For all those who are ill, and those in need of our prayers, including Lorraine and Todd Barton, Susie Ow, and Nathalie Rattner, We pray to the Lord
Reader:	For those who have died, including: James Williams †, Gene Swain †, Oliver Vargas †, and Casper Alig †, and for all who grieve, We pray to the Lord
Reader:	For all the intentions we hold in the silence of our hearts, We pray to the Lord