

Season of Advent : Sunday 4B

General Intercessions

Priest

God's love lasts for ever; God's truth is firmly established as the heavens.
In this season of hope, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the whole Church;
that our lives and our worship will faithfully proclaim
the mystery of Jesus Christ.

PAUSE for silent prayer — at least five seconds. Repeat after each intention.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

2. For the peace of the world, for an end to conflict and division;
that all people may live in harmony,
free from the threat of violence, oppression, and hunger;
we pray especially for the peoples of the Holy Land.
3. For people struggling in their home life,
and all who will spend their first Christmas alone;
that they will find comfort and hope in the coming of our Saviour.
4. For all expectant mothers,
especially any who may be troubled by anxiety or doubt;
that Mary, Mother of our Saviour, will comfort them and nurture their hope.
5. For the people of our parishes;
that, like the Blessed Virgin,
we will be open to hear the life-giving word of God.

Saturday, 10.00am Mass:

6. For all those married in the Lord,
that God will bless and sustain their love in the grace of the sacrament;
we pray especially for Mary & Roger Mason,
celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Sunday Masses:

7. For the faithful departed:
those who have died recently, and all whose anniversary we keep;
that they will enjoy life eternal with Jesus, Son of the Most High.

Priest

Pour forth, O Lord, your grace into our hearts:
once through the message of an angel
you revealed to us the incarnation of Christ your Son;
now through his passion and cross
lead us to the glory of his resurrection,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.