

## Season of Lent : Sunday 3B General Intercessions

### Priest

God's weakness is stronger than our human strength.  
We place ourselves before the throne of God's grace,  
and pray for the Church and the world.

### Reader

1. For the whole Church on our pilgrimage of faith;  
that our Lenten discipline will lead us  
to celebrate the mystery of Easter renewed in mind and heart.

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

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

2. For peace in the world; for an end to conflict and violence everywhere;  
we pray for all who work far from home to help build and secure peace.
3. For our government, and all who serve in politics;  
that God fill them with wisdom, discernment of the common good,  
and the courage to act on it.
4. For all who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit;  
that the cross of Christ may be their beacon of hope.
5. For all our parishioners;  
that the cross of Christ will light our way,  
and fill our hearts with courage and hope.
6. For the faithful departed:  
those who have died recently, and those whose anniversary we keep;  
that God will gather us all together again in the fullness of Christ's resurrection.

### Priest

O God, source of all mercy and goodness,  
in almsgiving, fasting, and prayer  
you have shown us a remedy for sin.  
Listen with love as we confess our weakness,  
and, when we are bowed down by the knowledge of our guilt,  
lift up our hearts with the assurance of your mercy.  
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.