

## Prayer of the Faithful

*Lent*

First Sunday



***Celebrant:*** ... *As we begin our Lenten journey we hear Christ's call to renewal and penance. We turn to our heavenly Father, aware of our weakness, and ask for strength and support.*

***Reader:*** ... *We pray for those who have lost their way in life: may they hear God's gentle voice calling them and may they be guided along the right path. . . . Lord, in your mercy.*

***Rd.*** ... *We pray for ourselves: may we enter into the spirit of Lent and be generous in our efforts at prayer, fasting and almsgiving. . . Lord, in your mercy.*

***Rd.*** ... *We pray for those who are sick or housebound: may they never feel abandoned or alone. Through our efforts may they be supported in their time of trial. . . Lord, in your mercy.*

***Rd...*** *We pray for all who lost their lives in the recent times due to Covid 19. That those who lost loved ones will be comforted and the dead may be gathered into God... Lord in your mercy..*

***Rd.*** ... *We pray for our relatives and friends who have fallen asleep in death and especially for Fr David Hennessey, Howard Beeho, T P Antony, and Richard Dix. Lord in your mercy...*

***Celebrant:*** ... *Heavenly Father, grant that we may respond to your love during these forty days of Lent and so come to the feast of Easter with joy in the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen*

