

## Prayer of the Faithful



***Celebrant:*** . . . As we enter Holy Week, we remember the pain and the passion of Jesus. We now bring before our Heavenly Father our own concerns and those of our world.

***Reader:*** ... We pray that the suffering and death of Jesus Christ will strengthen the Church in holiness and give her new growth. .  
. Lord, in your mercy ....

***Rd.*** ... We pray for the grace to live as true disciples: may we give authentic witness to the message of the gospel. . . . Lord, in your mercy....

***Rd.*** ... We pray that those who govern will use their authority to ensure that religion is given its rightful place in discourse. . . Lord, in your mercy.....

***Rd.*** ... We pray for ourselves during this Holy Week. May the Passion of Christ lead us to offer peace and goodwill to all we meet. ... Lord, in your mercy.....

***Rd.*** ... We pray for our dead, especially for those who died recently and for Cannon Michael Hazell, Jan Holden, Julia and Ollie Binks, Barbie Alexander and Paul McCaffery : may they enjoy eternal rest. ... Lord, hear us.

***Celebrant:*** . . . God our Father, help us to follow in the footsteps of your Son, and keep us mindful of his boundless love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.