

PRIEST

Dear friends, with John the Baptist we keep watch for the advent of God's Anointed One. In peace we pray for the needs of the church and the world.

READER

1. For Pope Francis. May his missionary journeys to lands near and far proclaim God's gift of salvation for the whole human family. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: **R/**
2. For world leaders. May this week's International Migrants Day urge them to address the poverty and violence that drive so many to flee their homeland. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: **R/**
3. For nations and corporations that profit from the world-wide trade in arms. May they invest instead in projects that promote human flourishing. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: **R/**
4. For the children who have been baptised, confirmed, made their First Holy Communion or celebrated the sacrament of reconciliation this year. May the sacraments they have received bear lasting fruit in their lives. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: **R/**
5. For the sick, especially Fr. Reece Beltrame, Brad Antrim, Emily & Aladin Bautista, Sara Collodetti, David Brett, Anne-Maree Hone, Jaena Catingub, Keiran Flanagan, Andrea Burns, Elise Giffin, Dean Facchinei Marnie Power, John Purcell, Tony Nibali, George Stefanidis, Robert Erbacher, Lisa De Silva and Julia. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: **R/**
6. For the recently deceased, those whose anniversary occurs around this time, and departed family and friends especially, Valentin Vukic, Svetka Vukic, Felix Hernandez, Adelina Carfi, Phyllis Montagna, Ralph De Lucia, Concettina Sciarretta, Kerry Carroll: May they rejoice forever in the new and heavenly Jerusalem. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: **R/**

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God of grace and mercy, you anointed your Son with the oil of gladness. Bless our world, we pray, with the gift of peace. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen