

PRIEST

Dear friends, Jesus calls Simon Peter to forget his fear and put his faith in the power of God's word. Trusting in God's pledge to make all things new, let us place our hopes and needs in God's loving hands.

READER

1. For those whose preaching of the Gospel puts them at risk of ridicule, rejection, harassment or even death, that they will continue to bear resolute witness to Christ. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: R/
2. For all who have been forced to flee their homes and abandon their life's belongings, that they will have the courage to begin again, wherever they have found refuge. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: R/
3. For the First Nations people of Australia, that this week's anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations will heal old wounds and assure them of their ancestral rights. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: R/
4. For women who grieve at having given up their baby for adoption, that whether reunited with their child or not they will find peace of heart and fulfilment. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: R/
5. For sick people around the world, that this week's Day of Prayer for the Sick will give them comfort, strength and connection with others. We pray our sick family and friends especially Fr. Reece Beltrame, Brad Antrim, Emily & Aladin Bautista, Sara Collodetti, David Brett, Anne-Maree Hone, Jaena Catingub, Paul Flanagan, Andrea Burns, Elise Giffin, Dean Facchinei, John Purcell, Lisa De Silva, Nella Cerra, Asja Jaksic, Fr Frank Moloney, Norman Lindsay Richards, Julia Foster, Shaun Armstrong and Hudson. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: R/
6. For those who have died recently, all whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, and our own departed family and friends, especially, Brett Collins, Wayne Timmins, Merle Howe, Noel Purcell, Suzanne Wall, Angela Nervo, Berardino Renzella, Miriam Starkey, Mary Ellen McNarmara. That they will enjoy the vision of God in heavenly glory for ever. (PAUSE) Lord hear us: R/

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Holy God, you sent your Son among us to open our eyes to the wonder of your love. Give us the freedom of heart to share gladly in his mission. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen