

Priest: With all our heart and mind, let us now lay our requests before the Lord.

Leader

For the Church

We pray for our Holy Father Pope Francis, our bishop Cardinal John Dew, our priests at St Joseph Parish and all Catholics in New Zealand. May we always be faithful in bringing the message of full trust in God, repentance and mercy, forgiveness and peace, love, and hope.

Lord hear us

For the world

We pray for all leaders that they keep in their efforts to build strong economies and safe societies the poor and vulnerable, those on the margins and plan for their well-being especially in these challenging times of pandemic, economic, moral and leadership crisis.

Lord hear us

For our country

We pray for spiritual conversion and human enlightenment of all New Zealanders involved in the forthcoming election. We pray as well for Divine intervention so that our government will recognize the humanity of unborn children giving them appropriate rights, status, and protection. May they find wisdom in supporting the preservation of the right to life of the most vulnerable in our society.

Lord hear us

For our parish community

We pray in a special way for the intention of the new Pastoral Council as we elect some new members from our parish. May they become an inspiration for the parishioners to grow in generosity with their time, talent, and treasure.

Lord hear us

For the sick and suffering

We pray for the sick and those who care for them. May they always feel Christ's presence with them during their suffering.

Lord hear us.

For the dead

We pray for those who have died in recent disasters both natural and manmade, epidemics and accidents that they will rise to eternal life in Christ.

Lord hear us

Priest: Father we are all your poor children. We are grateful for your mercy and providence. Hear our prayers and answer them in your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen
