

God is a father to those who obey God's word and to those who ignore it. With great humility, then, and with great confidence, let us confide to God the hopes and needs, the pains and labours of the whole world saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all in this world who do not know Christ as the faithful Son who did the will of his Father and revealed to us his Father's kindness, that God's love may be known among them, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For Todd our bishop, for Robert, Tanya, and Tianna our priest, for Tom and Stephanie our deacons, and for all the churches of the world, that they might prove in their collective witness and action the obedience to God that they profess, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For all peoples who claim God as their father: for our Jewish and Islamic family members, that they may be at peace with us and rejoice with us to do their Father's will, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For this country, that our unity might be strengthened by genuine commitment to God's will and by faithful obedience to God's word, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For traitors and prostitutes, for drug-peddlers and con artists, for all who live in the underworld of our nation and outside the pale of respectability, that they might continue to be the special object of God's love, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For refugees of conflict, storm and fire and for all who's lives are threatened by natural disaster or war, that they may know of God's faithfulness to all who are in trouble, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For all the members of our parish family in need especially ***Rob, Andrea, Heather, Hadley, Nikki, Peter, Leontine, Ceede-Anne, Paul, Norm, Dianne, Bellen, Joan, Jeff, Marjorie, Jean, Melissa, Karen, Elizabeth, John*** and ***the Congregation of the Sins of Jacob Synagogue in Belleville, Ontario*** that they may know God's healing love at work in their lives, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For the faithful departed that they might rest eternally in your loving arms, remembering ***Ruth and Pinky Scratch.*** ***Lord hear our prayer.***

For ourselves, that we might be delivered from all illusion of superiority, from all pretense of righteousness, from all arrogance and hardness of heart and that we might know the meaning of compassion, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord hear our prayer.***

God, you are a God of mercy, a God who does not deal with us according to our sins nor make your love contingent on our good behaviour. Be merciful to your people everywhere, and hear our prayer for those who are in need. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**