

## Prayers of the Faithful - Last Sunday in Ordinary Time 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018: Christ the King

**Priest:**

My dear friends, Christ became the Lord of the universe when he rose to his life of glory, and he made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father. Let us now pray that the kingdom of God will come in our lives and in our world.

**Faithful:**

1. We pray for all the leaders of our Australian church at this time when they meet in their biannual plenary conference in Sydney. We pray they receive your Spirit and act with humility, courage, grace, honesty and wisdom as they plan for a re-vitalised church that is a place of love, hope, safety and healing..... **LORD HEAR US**
2. We pray for and thank everyone in our parish community who remain loyal to the word of the Lord in the face of the very real challenges to our faith today. We pray that we too face these troubled times ahead and we can assist in the important work of reinvigorating the Church we love in the spirit of Vatican II ....**LORD HEAR US**
3. Jesus, we thank you for the inspiration of holding a Plenary Council and ask that you infuse our hearts with hope for an Australian church which reflects your love to **all** those living in this land. We pray deeply for our own Archbishop Costelloe in his role as leader of this Plenary Council....**LORD HEAR US**
4. We continue to pray for all those dispossessed by greed, war and natural disasters. May their incomprehensible losses be lessened by the love and compassion of those who care and pray for them... **LORD HEAR US**
5. As we respond to the Archbishop's appeal for LifeLink, we pray for all those in need throughout the Archdiocese. At any moment we too could be in such need. May our gifts help ease their suffering..... **LORD HEAR US**.
6. We pray for our own special intentions. . . . . (Pause)....**LORD HEAR US**
7. We pray for everyone who is seriously ill or injured, for all who died this week and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time.....**LORD HEAR US**.

**Priest:**

Father in heaven, help us to build up Christ's kingdom of justice, love and peace by the holiness of our lives and our refusal to submit to the power of sin. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**AMEN**