



Leader: Dear friends, as pilgrims of hope in this Jubilee Year, and on the Feast of the Blessed Virgin in this very beautiful church - Chiesa di Santa Maria ai Monti, let us turn to our heavenly Father, placing our needs, and the needs of the world before him, confident in his infinite mercy and love.

Reader: For Pope Leo, Archbishop Peter, Father Gallacher, Father Michael Buck, and all Church leaders; that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit to shepherd your people as true pilgrims of hope. May their words and actions inspire unity, compassion and renewed faith in the Catholic Church, leading all closer to your Kingdom.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For world leaders and all involved in government: that they may seek paths of reconciliation and hope. Let this Jubilee Year sow seeds of harmony across our divided world.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all of our students in our schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne; that the Holy Spirit will inspire their hearts. May they embrace the call to be pilgrims of hope, leading the world towards a future of faith, compassion and joy.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all those in need: that during this Holy Year, we may extend your mercy to the oppressed, forgotten and weary, becoming true pilgrims of hope and justice.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For the children and families in each of our schools and parish communities; that during this Jubilee Year, all people will grow in faith, hope and love, as we journey towards you. Strengthen our hearts and minds to seek truth and beauty in our world.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For those people who struggle to find meaning; that this Jubilee Year may rekindle hope in their hearts, and reveal to them your unfailing presence and love.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For each of us gathered here today as pilgrims of hope in this Jubilee Year, that we may be guided by our heavenly Father. May we place before Him our own needs, and the needs of our school communities and the world, trusting always in His infinite mercy and love.

Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Loving God, you have called us to be pilgrims of hope. Bless our journey as leaders in our schools, parishes and within the Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools, helping us to serve you and one another through the gift of education. Hear our prayers and lead us closer to you, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

All: Amen.



