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*PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL*

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CELEBRANT: Jesus made known the mystery of God's dream for the world. Let us pray for the whole of creation to welcome God's way.

LEADER:

Thursday is International Friendship Day. Jesus calls us His Friends and Family; May the church be a universal community for a better world.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

We pray for all nations, that God will raise up leaders for them who esteem wisdom, discernment and right judgement.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our pray

We pray for the multitude of displaced persons in makeshift refugee camps around the world, and for those detained in Australia, that their welfare be given just priority in global recovery plans.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

We pray for the children, women and men who are victims of human trafficking, that they will be set free from bondage.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are working for world-wide access to drinking water and healthy sanitation, that they will receive full support from the international community.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

Today is the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim the Grandparent of Jesus. We pray for a strengthening of love between our Grandchildren and Grandparents.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have been called to do extraordinary things to keep our community safe, that their generosity, creativity and courage will be fully appreciated.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

We give thanks for those whose family life, partnerships or friendships have been enriched in the course of the pandemic, and pray for their continued flourishing.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our prayer.

We pray for the recently deceased Allan Rix, Patricia O'Sullivan, Rob Gaylard and Kathleen Gleeson and those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time Fr O'Dwyer, Sister Philomena Barry sgs, Dene Van Der Mark, Deceased Vietnam War Personnel, and our deceased Grandparents.

*(Pause for silent prayer)*

Loving God, hear us                                  R. Loving God, hear our pray

CELEBRANT: God of eternal love, you have set your heart on us. Keep us true to the love you have shown us in Jesus your Son. We ask this through Christ our Lord.