Intercessions – 08/09 August 2026 – Year A

Priest: Lord, you saved Peter when he called out to you for help. Today, we also bring you ourselves, our prayers, hopes, dreams and everyone in our beautiful and fragile world.

Reader: To the prayer: Lord, in thy mercy…Our Response is**: Hear our Prayer**

Peter called upon Jesus at a moment of great need. May Pope Leo and all religious leaders find, in Jesus, the support and wisdom to guide those who depend on them.
PAUSE
Lord, in thy mercy……**Hear our prayer**

We pray for the natural world, remembering especially the many regions throughout Europe facing fear and devastation from wildfires. May the Lord strengthen and bring relief to those who work for the emergency services and all who are fighting to protect life, property and land.
PAUSE
Lord, in thy mercy……**Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for all peacemakers and peacekeepers, throughout the world. May their work bring a just and lasting end to conflict, wherever it might be. May there be an end to war and bloodshed.
PAUSE
Lord, in thy mercy……**Hear our prayer**

Now that the holiday season is in full swing, let us pray for all those preparing to go on holiday, especially families with young children. May they travel safely, enjoy fine weather, make the most of their rest and return home relaxed, refreshed and renewed.
PAUSE
Lord, in thy mercy……**Hear our prayer**

We pray for all those who are sick and troubled, perhaps feeling overwhelmed by the storms of life. May the Lord's outstretched hand help them to find comfort, courage and peace.
PAUSE
Lord, in thy mercy……**Hear our prayer**

Let us pray for all our deceased parishioners and also for those who have their anniversaries this coming week. We pray especially for Carmela Lanni and David Ansell, both of who died this week.
Eternal rest, give unto them, O Lord…**Let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace**

We pray with Mary, the humble servant of the Lord; Hail Mary……

Silently we pray for our own intentions, those contained in our Parish Book of Intercessions and those of the **Parish of St Hugh of Lincoln, Letchworth**.

Let us together say our Parish Prayer for Peace:
Lord, send us the gift of peace. Change the hearts of those who choose violence and wage war. Turn them away from persecution and lead them towards peace. Transform hatred into understanding, anger into compassion, and fear into hope. Through your love, heal what is broken. Fill us with your Spirit, so that with one voice, we may cry out together, throughout the world: Lord, send us the gift of peace. Amen.

Priest: Father, hear the prayers we offer in faith. Calm our fears, strengthen our hope, and draw us ever closer to your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.