33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

World Day of the Poor

Presider: In humility of heart, let us pray to God who cares for everyone.

Deacon or Reader:

- For those living in poverty in our local community and around the world. May Christ open our ears to their cries, our eyes to their reality, and our hearts to respond with mercy and compassion. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- Let us continue to pray for an end to the war in the Holy Land, for the thousands of little children who have been killed and injured, for the release of all those held captive, and for a willingness among leaders to talk rather than fight. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For those who have been killed or injured on our roads, for their loved ones, and for the emergency services who deal with horrific incidents every day. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For those who are sick and for all who care for them; for family members worrying about a loved one; and for all children in need.

 May they know the healing touch of God's love.

 Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For our own personal intentions; for our beloved dead, especially Jackie Wilkinson, Fr Nick Wilde and all those on the Pious Lists; and for those we are remembering this weekend, especially Frank O'Brien, a Special Intention, Zara McGlinchey and all the people of this parish community. (Pause for silent prayer)
 Lord, in your mercy. R. Hear our prayer.
- Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all: *'Hail Mary...'*

Presider: Father.

hear our prayers.

Help us to recognise the gifts you give us

and to share them with others.

Through Christ our Lord.