**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A 19TH FEBRUARY 2023**

**Priest: Challenged by Christ our Lord to ‘be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect’, we bring all our needs to that Father who is kind and merciful.**

Reader: For God’s people as they try to live his law of love

 *Lord hear Us*

Reader: For religious and ethnic groups divided by hatred and

 misunderstanding

 *Lord Hear Us*

Reader: For all our enemies and anyone who may have wronged us or hurt us

 deliberately

 *Lord Hear Us*

Reader: For the many who perished in the recent earthquakes in Turkey and

 Syria and all those affected by this tragedy

 *Lord Hear Us*

Reader: For the sick and those in need within our parish community

 *Lord Hear Us*

Reader: For those family and friends who have passed into the cleansing

 mercy of our Saviour

 *Lord In Your Mercy*

We pray to Mary our Heavenly Mother…………………………..Hail Mary ……….

We now pause and pray in silence for our personal intentions

**Priest: Lord of all peoples, as we pray for these intentions, help us to grow together; help us to overcome hostility and conflict**

**We ask this, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**