14th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B July 4th

**Welcome before Mass**: (Commentator)

Tēnā Koutou Katoa. Today is the 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time and I warmly welcome you here. Sometimes, we may not welcome the voice of prophet, for it can be a voice that disturbs us. But the prophet offers wisdom and guides us towards discernment. As we prepare to celebrate this Eucharist, let us be open to the voice of the prophet and the Word of God. Let us hear the call to be one people, one body. We pause now, as we prepare to celebrate this liturgy which brings us to unity in Christ.. **(20 … seconds - stay at microphone).** Welcome to ……………………… (*parish name*). Let us stand, sing together.

**Prayer of the Faithful**

**For the Church** – that it be a house of compassion, mercy and love, and that its processes be open, transparent and just, so that those who are not yet believers might come to see in it, the goodness of God.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

**For national and international leaders –** that their vision not be shaped by material profit, but rather, they be open to prophetic voices that arise among their people.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

**For people who endure ongoing pain –** that relentless pain will not crush them but through the care of family and friends, will become a pathway through which they experience deep love.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

**For ourselves** – that we will not be easily offended, but readily look away from the faults of others, holding them in love.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

**For all teachers** – that they will be guided by wisdom, delight in the capacity of the human mind to learn, and open doors of knowledge encircled by love, for their students.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

**For our local community of**………………….. That\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please add a prayer for your local community.

(Silence) **Reader:** E te Ariki **All:** Whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou.

**Concluding Prayer**

God of the prophets, in every age you send forth the word of truth. Give us the vision to see Christ in our midst and to welcome your saving word. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. … Amen