27th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year C |5th October

**Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert**

**Welcome before Mass**

**Tēnā Koutou Katoa / Good morning and welcome. Today is the 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time.  Today, we remember Venerable Suzanne Aubert, founder of the Sisters of Compassion and we continue to pray she will become New Zealand's first saint. In preparation for the celebration of this liturgy, let’s now take a moment of silence.**

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**Together now, we join and sing our opening hymn.**

**Prayer of the Faithful**

**For the Church – that we who are the Church be encouragers of one another, kindling the gifts God gives, and acting as servants of one another in a spirit love and self-discipline.**

V. **E te Ariki** R. whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou | V. **We pray to the Lord** R. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For leaders of nations – that they give great priority to peace making, and ensure children and young people are not trained as soldiers or taken into armed conflict.**

V. **E te Ariki** R. whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou | V. **We pray to the Lord** R. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For the Auckland Diocese – that as we embark on this process of Reshaping, may we discern for ways to be a missionary Church, a Church that builds bridges and encourages dialogue, a Church ever open to welcoming.**

V. **E te Ariki** R. whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou | V. **We pray to the Lord** R. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For manufacturers and producers of goods – that they act justly and with integrity in all business dealings, ensuring their products support the health and wellbeing of people and the planet.**

V. **E te Ariki** R. whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou | V. **We pray to the Lord** R. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For the cause of Venerable Suzanne Aubert – that Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who loved the Māori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, may soon be recognised as a saint.**

V. **E te Ariki** R. whakarongo mai rā ki a mātou | V. **We pray to the Lord** R. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For our local community of …** (What are the needs of your locality – housing, health, truancy, an accident… Please discern the needs of your community and compose a petition.)

**Concluding Prayer**

**Gracious God, source of all life, you have called us by name and made us your people.**

**We ask a full portion of your goodness in every human heart.**

**Let our faith and love establish our lives in peace, for the life of the world.**

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