FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, C

When the Second Scrutiny is observed, see R.C.I.A., No. 167 ff.

Priest Celebrant  Seek the Lord,  
who answers and delivers us from every fear:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

An alternate response is offered, in which the assembly repeats “Lord (Christ), have mercy” after the deacon/cantor/reader. The petitions can, of course, conclude with the more familiar “For this we pray:” “Lord, hear our prayer.”

Reconcile the members of your Church, Lord,  
with yourself and one another.  
Make us channels of your peace.  
Lord, have mercy:

Reconcile the peoples of the Near-East: Jews, Christians, Muslims.  
Heal our wounds of intolerance, bigotry, racism.  
Christ, have mercy:

Heal estrangements within our families.  
Lord, have mercy:

Transform our misuse of your gifts  
to sharing your blessings of food and housing, health and education.  
Christ, have mercy:

Guide our leaders in your path to peace.  
Relieve our armed forces and the victims of war and exploitation.  
Lord, have mercy:

Sustain the elect and the candidates for the Easter Sacraments.  
Christ, have mercy:

Ease the pains of [ ], and of] everyone who bears Christ’s suffering.  
Lord, have mercy:

Let [ ],
the war dead and whoever has died recently glorify You in eternity.  
Christ, have mercy:

Priest Celebrant  We look to you, O Lord and Father,  
who have reconciled us in Christ.  
Keep us faithful to your ministry of reconciliation,  
to the glory of your Name and of our life in you  
now and for ever.