

## **Praying Prayers of Petition**

- 1. Explain to the children that at Mass, we pray together as a community. During the Mass we pray the general intercessions which are the prayers of the community. These are the prayers the reader says. Then we respond, "Lord, hear our prayer."
- 2. Ask the children who we usually pray for every weekend at Mass. The children may name those that are sick or those who have died.
- 3. Explain that the group is going to pray like we do at Mass.
- 4. Ask the children for whom they would like to pray. List these requests on the chalkboard.
- 5. Lead the children in praying these petitions. Offer the prayer and conclude with, "We pray to the Lord."
- 6. Help the children learn to respond, "Lord, hear our prayer."