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To: Parish Priest / Head of the Religious Congregation
From: Hong Kong Catholic Diocesan Liturgy Commission
Subject: Intentions for the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass (for Pope Leo XIV)
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As Pope Leo XIV is scheduled to be admitted to Gemelli Hospital, Rome, on Tuesday, 13 October 2026, to undergo surgery for the removal of a small, localized lung nodule, the Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong invites all Catholics in Hong Kong to pray for the success of the operation and for the Pope's swift and complete recovery.

May the Lord grant Pope Leo XIV strength, peace, and healing, and his medical team which is going to see through his surgery and recovery.

His Eminence Cardinal Stephen Chow Sau-yan, Bishop of this Diocese, has requested that all parishes include the following intention in the Prayer of the Faithful at both Sunday and weekday Masses on Mission Sunday (18 October), praying for Pope Leo XIV:

Pray for Pope Leo XIV
On the 13th of this month, Pope Leo XIV underwent surgery. May the Lord watch over the Holy Father in his recovery, granting him steadfast hope, and comforting him in both body and spirit. For this, we pray.