

## Season of Easter : Sunday 2B

### General Intercessions

#### Priest

Giving thanks to God,  
who draws us into the mystery of his Son's death and resurrection,  
we remember the needs of the Church and of the world.

#### Reader

1. For the Church:  
that, through the gift of the Spirit, we will recognise Christ's presence among us,  
and profess with Thomas, "My Lord and my God."

*PAUSE for silent prayer — at least five seconds. Repeat after each intention.*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

2. For the peoples of the world:  
that the Spirit will open dialogue and new understanding  
among nations, communities, and within families.
3. For those who govern and lead nations,  
and all who seek to serve in public office;  
that the risen Christ will inspire and direct them.
4. For the gift of peace:  
that Christ's gift may abide within us,  
and sustain us through all the challenges of life.
5. For healing:  
that the spirit will renew the gift of life in all who are sick, discouraged,  
struggling with addictions, or the weakness that comes with ageing.
6. For all who have gone before us in faith;  
may they know the fullness of life in Christ's resurrection.
7. Let us ask our Blessed Mother to intercede for us with her Son: Hail, Mary, ...

#### Priest

God of everlasting mercy,  
each year when the feast of Easter returns  
you enliven the faith of your holy people.  
Increase in us the grace you have already bestowed,  
that we may understand more fully  
in whose font we have been washed,  
in whose spirit we have been reborn,  
and in whose blood we have found redemption.  
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.