

Season of Easter : Sunday 5A General Intercessions

Priest

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

Reader

1. For the Church;
that all who are reborn by water and the Holy Spirit
will follow the way of Christ with strong and compassionate faith.

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

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

2. For our young parishioners, preparing for their First Holy Communion;
and those preparing to be Confirmed:
that the Holy Spirit will enliven their faith,
and enable them to follow Jesus their whole life long.
3. For the peace of the world;
for an end to conflict, oppression, and prejudice everywhere on earth;
for all those driven from their homes,
and those separated from those they love.
4. For all members of our parish, and all who worship with us today;
that God will draw us together in the body of the risen Christ,
and inspire our witness to the Gospel.
5. For all who have gone before us in faith;
that the risen Christ will gather them to himself
in the place he has prepared for us.
6. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers to ours: Hail Mary ...

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God of unfailing mercy,
who redeemed us and adopted us as your children,
look upon us with tender love,
that we who believe in Christ
may enjoy true freedom
and enter our promised inheritance.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.