

Season of Easter : Sunday 2A

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;
may she continue strong and steadfast
in support, inspiration and encouragement
in the lives of all her children.

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

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

2. For governments, leaders,
and those who influence our lives both nationally and locally;
that their actions and advice may be useful and sustaining in our present crisis.
3. For all medical staff;
that their selfless actions may bear fruit
and that they remain unaffected and unbroken in their contact with disease.
4. For all young people, whose lives have been turned upside down
by the school closures and cancellation of exams;
may they look forward to a return to normality
and a progression towards their chosen career.
5. For all our older parishioners and fellow townspeople;
that in their enforced isolation,
they may turn to God as they reflect and pray for us all.
6. Let us offer our own prayers for our own loved ones, young and old.
7. Let us ask Mary, comforter of the afflicted,
to take our requests to her son, our Redeemer. Hail, Mary, ...

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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.