

PRIEST: We give thanks to the Lord because he is merciful. United in the joy of the Resurrection, let us turn to the Father with our prayers.

READER: We pray for Pope Leo and all Church leaders as they call for peace in the Middle East. May Christian communities be places of welcome, compassion and safety for all who seek healing and a new beginning. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: Dear Lord, on this Divine Mercy Sunday, we humbly seek Your boundless compassion. May Your mercy wash over us, healing our hearts and souls. Help us to extend this divine mercy to others, fostering love and forgiveness. Fill us with hope and grace, guiding us to trust in Your eternal kindness. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for the world and its leaders, that the light of Easter morning may scatter the darkness of conflict, fear, and division, inspiring leaders to choose peace, justice, and the dignity of every person. (Pause)

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for children and young people, that they may look forward to a future of hope. May families proclaim resurrection life and tenderness to our world which is aching for love. (Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We pray for those who have died recently: **Father Joseph, Cornelius Callanan, Mary Munko, Mary Louisa Law, Veronica Pickering, Frank Byrne, Geraldine McHugh, Francis Mazone, Margaret Stanley, Margaret McCabe, Della Quinn, Michael O’Gorman, Anthony Parsons and Bridget Mary Williams.** We also remember all those with anniversaries at this time. (Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

READER: We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially **Angela Keating, Benjamin Wort, Lilian, Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Ken Shirley, Savio Baretto, Eddie Martin, Helen Brookes, Briege Williams, Jonathan Williams, Anthony O’Neill, Michael, Patrick, Aiden & Anne O’Donnell, Margaret Hughes, Father Michael White, Breda Fleming, Juliana Benjamin, Wilson Cotton, Angela Hyland, Noreen O’Connor, Larry Perkins, Tom Duffy, Aggie O’Reilly, Teresa Toher, Vito and Ledda Piccolo, Joe McClean, Stephanie Withers and Ginny Coll** and our families wherever they may be. (Pause).

Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: Hail Mary...Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions and for those intentions placed in the prayer box.

PRIEST: Loving Father, the Resurrection of your Son gives birth in us to a new and living hope. Let us live in that hope always. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.