

**PRIEST:** As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, we lovingly remember Pope Francis, whom we laid to rest this weekend. He tirelessly proclaimed God's mercy and, like him, we confidently come before the Lord as we are, knowing that God loves us more than we can possibly imagine.

**READER:** We pray for Pope Francis. May he be enjoying the fullness of everlasting light and life with the Lord to whom he dedicated himself, heart and soul.

**(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** We pray for the cardinals as they prepare for the coming Conclave. May the Holy Spirit guide them to choose a pope who will be a faithful shepherd of the flock which will be entrusted to his care. We pray for the next Pope, whoever it will be. During the next couple of weeks, may God prepare him for his new mission to proclaim the Gospel to the world.

**(Pause) Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** We pray for our troubled world. At Pope Francis' funeral world leaders shared the Sign of Peace and created a few moments of world peace. May there be an end to all wars, hostilities and oppression, wherever they occur.

**(Pause) Lord hear us. Response Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** We pray for ourselves as we celebrate the resurrection. May we truly be an Easter People, filled with joy and new life. **(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 the sick of our own Parish; Benjamin Wort, Lilian, William Moran, Hughie Quinn, Rosie McConnelly, Damian Poole, Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Ken Shirley, Danny Meadows, Jennifer O'Donnell, Kevin McDaid, Philip Saunders, Savio Baretto, Joan Gibson, Eddie Martin, Helen Brookes, Briege Williams, Jonathan Williams, Anthony O'Neill, Michael, Patrick, Aiden & Anne O'Donnell, Margaret Hughes, Paulina Samathar, Patrick Hickey, Father Michael White, Father Paul Johnson, Father Tony Rohan, Chelsea O'Callaghan, Doreen and Wilson Cotton, Juliana Benjamin, Breda Fleming, Cornelius Callanan and our families wherever they may be. May they find hope and healing and may we all find ways of responding to their needs.

**(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** We pray those who have died recently: Pope Francis, Trish Embley, Maha Eraifej, Deacon Pat Flanagan, Desmond Duffy, Philomena Baretto, Angela Duffy, Christopher Morgan-Cettler, Wayne O'Neill and Joseph Leyden; we pray that they all may be brought to life in Christ who has destroyed death as the final enemy under His feet. We also remember those with anniversaries at this time. **(Pause) Lord hear us. Response: Lord graciously hear us.**

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Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: as we say- 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:** Lord of new life and hope, help us to celebrate your resurrection. Be with us and fill our every moment of every day. Live in us and may we live in you and in your love. We make our prayers through Christ our Lord. R/.Amen.