## THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Date:	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Day:	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter, Year B
Priest's introduction	We gather during this Easter season to rejoice and give thanks for the Lord's Resurrection. We pray for renewal and for open hearts so that we will grow in love and understanding of Holy Scripture.
Intention 1	We pray for Pope Francis and the Church worldwide that the Holy Spirit will empower us to be strong witnesses to Christ's love and His Resurrection.
	<i>Pause</i> Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer
Intention 2	We pray for peace in our world, especially for peace in the Holy Land and in Ukraine, and that all hearts are open to the Holy Spirit's guidance. <i>Pause</i> Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer
Intention 3	We pray for those suffering as a result of war and conflict that they will receive all the help they need to rebuild their lives. <i>Pause</i> Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer
Intention 4	We pray for our Priests and our Parish and for all preparing for the Sacraments that they, their families and catechists will all come closer to Our Lord and His great Love for us. <i>Pause</i> Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer
	If the celebrant wishes, an extra, last-minute intention may be added here by hand before Mass.
Intention 5	We pray for all who have died recently, and for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time, that they will now be enfolded in the Love of the Trinity. <i>Pause</i> Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer
	Let us ask Our Lady, Mother of our Redeemer, to join her prayers with ours as we say: Hail Mary
Priest's prayer	Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for all the graces of this Easter Season and we pray that we will always keep Your Commandments, so that Your love comes to perfection in us. We ask this in the Name of Jesus. Amen.