

## 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

### Bidding Prayers

**Presider:** Reader: Risen Saviour!  
All: **Hear our prayer.**

Now, in the joy of this Easter season,  
let us bring our prayers to the Father.

#### **Deacon or Reader:**

- 1 Let us join the people of Israel in prayer as they mourn those who were killed and injured at a religious festival on Thursday.  
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 2 We continue to pray for the people of India, Brazil and other countries that have become overwhelmed by the virus.  
We think of those trying to get help for loved ones who are sick, for the tens of thousands who are mourning, and for those across the world who are reaching out with help.  
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 3 As we prepare to vote in the elections on Thursday, may the Holy Spirit inspire us to choose those who will serve the common good, and make the poor and the vulnerable their special care.  
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 4 For our beloved dead, especially Margaret Jeffers, Penny Jude-Kelly, Glenys Jessica Horne, John McBride and Joan Evelyn Taylor.  
May they rest in peace and live in Christ.  
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 5 For our own personal intentions and for those we have been asked to remember this weekend, especially Ann & Hartwig Balke, Isolina & Bill Woods, and all the people of this parish community.  
*(Pause for silent prayer)*  
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 6 Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all:  
**"Hail Mary..."**

**Presider:** O God,  
you have grafted us onto Christ  
as branches joined to a vine.  
Hear our prayers and prune us  
so that our love is not just mere words,  
but something real and active.  
Through Christ our Lord.