4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Now let us bring our needs, and the needs of the world,

to God who is love.

Deacon or Reader:

1 For all those in authority in both Church and State. May they listen to the voices of today's prophets, rather than trying to silence them.

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

- Let us pray for a peaceful resolution to the situation between Russia and Ukraine, for the people of Tonga following the volcanic eruption and tsunami, and for an international response to the humanitarian crisis unfolding in Afghanistan.

 Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For love that is patient and kind, never rude or selfish, always ready to excuse, to trust and to endure whatever comes. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- As weariness with the pandemic gives rise to anger, impatience and unkindness, let us pray for a renewed spirit of kindness and understanding, care for those who are sick or vulnerable, support for the NHS and all those battling to save lives, and a change of heart in those who have become divorced from reality. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For our own personal intentions, and for those we have been asked to remember this weekend, especially Bill Jarvis, Josie Gately, Ernie Roocroft, Kathleen Nolan and all the people of this parish community.

 (Pause for silent prayer)
 Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all: "Hail Mary..."

Presider: We place these prayers into your presence,

God our loving Father,

and we ask you to grant them through Christ our Lord.