## 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

## **Bidding Prayers**

**Presider:** Now let us open our hearts to God in prayer,

for he always hears us and comes to our help.

## Deacon or Reader:

For ourselves and all God's people.

May we go from this place and, like the disciples in the Gospel, proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ by the way we live our lives. Lord, in your mercy.

\*\*R. Hear our prayer.\*\*

- For those who are struggling across the world because of injustice and violence. We pray for the protection of priests and Church workers in Mexico and Nigeria; for freedom for the people of Hong Kong and Myanmar; and for an end to the evil being inflicted on the people of Ukraine. Lord, in your mercy.

  \*\*R. Hear our prayer.\*\*
- For the many people struggling with cancer and other diseases, whose diagnosis or treatment has been delayed because of the pandemic. We pray too for healthcare professionals many of whom are overworked, understaffed, and not given the support they need. Lord, in your mercy.

  \*\*R. Hear our prayer.\*\*
- For our beloved dead, especially Maureen Edwards, Kathleen Hough and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

  May they be among those whose names are written in heaven.

  Lord, in your mercy.

  R. Hear our prayer.
- Finally, let us pray for our own personal intentions and for those we are remembering this weekend, especially Gary O'Donnell, Ian Buist who is celebrating his 90th birthday, 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:** Father,

you send us out to be your disciples in the world.

Hear our prayers

and help us to follow you in all we say and do.

Through Christ our Lord.