

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Reader: Let us pray to the Lord.
All: **Lord, have mercy.**

As God's beloved sons and daughters,
let us pray to the Father for our needs and those of all the world.

Deacon or Reader:

- 1 For those preparing to be received into the Church at Easter,
for the children preparing for First Communion,
and the young people signing up for Confirmation.
May they come closer to Christ who calls them and welcomes them.
Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 2 For an end to the war for the tormented people of Ukraine,
for the people of Turkey and Syria struggling after the earthquakes,
and for an end to the hatred and vengeance in the Holy Land.
Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 3 For our Christian, Jewish and Muslim brothers and sisters.
As descendants of Abraham,
may we have a profound respect for one another
and learn to work together for peace.
Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 4 For our beloved dead,
especially Rory Cullen, Maeve Kinney and Georgina Lomax.
May they have the reward of their goodness and see God face to face.
Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 5 Finally, let us pray quietly for our own personal intentions
and for those we are remembering this weekend,
especially Anne Rowlands, Amelia Baylen
and all the people of this parish community.
(Pause for silent prayer)
Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 6 Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all:
"Hail Mary..."

Presider: May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.
Through Christ our Lord.