

11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Trusting in God's care for each one of us,
let us bring our prayers to the Father.

Deacon or Reader:

- 1 At the beginning of Refugee Week, let us pray for those who come to our shores in desperate need. May we reach out to them in welcome, just as we would hope they would do for us if we were in their shoes.
Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 2 For those who are pregnant but have no support.
For those who feel they have no option but to have an abortion.
For the conversion of our society that fails to treasure and support the gift of human life in all its stages.
Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 3 For fathers and grandfathers, godfathers and stepfathers,
and for those who have been like a father to us.
May God the Father bless them with his love
and help them to be good fathers to those entrusted to them.
Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 4 For those who were killed in Nottingham this week, the many who lost their lives when a boat carrying migrants capsized in the Mediterranean, the young students brutally killed at a school in Uganda, and for those who have died in our own community, especially Councillor Diana Friend, Frances Hadcroft, Hazel Molyneux, Frank Billington and Teresa Glover.
Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 5 For our own personal intentions
and for those we've been asked to remember this weekend,
especially Peter Wright, Amelia Baylen
and all the people of this parish community.
(Pause for silent prayer)
Lord, in your mercy. **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 6 Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all:
"Hail Mary..."

Presider: Almighty God,
our hope and our strength,
without you we falter.
Help us to follow Christ
and to live according to your will.
Through Christ our Lord.