SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Now, with Mary, let us join the whole Church in prayer, for our needs and those of all the world.

Deacon or Reader:

- For ourselves and all God's people.
 Like Mary, may we recognise the presence of God in our lives and the great things he has done for us.
 Lord, in your mercy.
 R. Hear our prayer.
- 2 As migrants and refugees continue to cross the English Channel, let us pray that we may reach out with help instead of punishment, a willingness to listen to their stories instead of thinking we know everything, and the compassion we hope others would show us if we were in their shoes. Lord, in your mercy. *R.* **Hear our prayer.**
- For all the young people who will be receiving exam results this week.
 May they be justly rewarded for all their hard work.
 Lord, in your mercy.
 R. Hear our prayer.
- For our loved ones who have died, especially those we are thinking about ourselves.
 May they follow Mary and the saints to the glory of heaven.
 Lord, in your mercy. *R.* Hear our prayer.
- For the prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts, and for those we're remembering in this Mass, especially Patricia Hughes and all the people of this parish community. (Pause for silent prayer)
 Lord, in your mercy. *R.* Hear our prayer.
- 6 Let us ask Mary to pray for us, now and at the hour of our death, as we say: *"Hail Mary..."*
- **Presider:** Hear our prayers and give us perfect peace, O Lord, so that we may delight in serving you all the days of our life, and, with Our Lady's help, come at last safely to your presence. Through Christ our Lord.