

4th SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

Bidding Prayers

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

Let us pray to God who loves us with so much love.

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 dreadful war and violence in the Holy Land and Ukraine. Let us pray that the world's leaders will stop looking on and stand up to those who are causing so much evil and suffering. Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 3 For mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers and those who have been like a mother to us. For mothers separated from their children, those who want to be a mother but are unable to have children, and for anyone who will be missing their mum this weekend. Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 4 For those who have died, especially Miriam Jones, Canon Vincent Burrows, Denise Harris, Alan Monks and Kathleen Connelly. Let us pray to the Lord. **R. Lord, have mercy.**
- 5 For our own personal intentions, for our Muslim sisters and brothers who begin Ramadan this weekend, and for those we are remembering in our prayers this weekend, especially Jack Disley, Paul Vernon 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: God of mercy,
you sent your only Son
not to condemn the world, but to save it.
Hear our prayers and keep us in your care.
Through Christ our Lord.