

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Reader: Risen Saviour!
All: **Hear our prayer.**

Now, in the joy of this Easter season,
let us bring our prayers to the Father.

Deacon or Reader:

- 1 For Pope Francis, Archbishop Malcolm and all those who lead the Church.
May our prayers support and help them in all the demands they face each day.
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 2 With all our hearts, we pray for an end to war in Gaza and Ukraine;
and for urgent assistance for the people of Sudan.
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 3 As we prepare to vote in the elections on Thursday,
may the Holy Spirit inspire us to choose those who will serve the common good
and make the poor and the vulnerable their special care.
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 4 For those who are undergoing treatment for cancer and other diseases.
May the Lord put his healing hand upon them.
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 5 For our own personal intentions
and for those we have been asked to remember this weekend,
especially Pat Crawford, Mary Howl
and all the people of this parish community.
(Pause for silent prayer)
Risen Saviour! **R. Hear our prayer.**
- 6 Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all:
"Hail Mary..."

Presider: O God,
you have grafted us onto Christ
as branches joined to a vine.
Hear our prayers and prune us
so that our love is not just mere words,
but something real and active.
Through Christ our Lord.