14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: Now let us bring our prayers to the Father and place them in his care.

Deacon or Reader:

- For our new Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, and his government. May they use their gifts to serve the common good and to restore people's faith in the political process. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For all the young people celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation this weekend. May they receive the encouragement and support they need in their faith, especially from their families, sponsors and friends. Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For all who are caught up in war in the Holy Land, Ukraine, Myanmar and Sudan. May their cries for peace be heard and acted upon by those who have the power to change things.

 Lord, in your mercy.

 **R. Hear our prayer.*
- For the older members of our community, especially those who are sick or homebound, and those in hospital and care homes. May we cherish their presence among us.

 Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- For our own personal intentions and for those we are remembering in our prayers this weekend, especially Vic Tann and Iris Price who have died, Mary Mannion & Family, Maureen Fisher, and all the people of this parish community.

 (Pause for silent prayer)
 Lord, in your mercy.

 R. Hear our prayer.
- Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all: "Hail Mary..."

Presider: Father.

when we are disheartened by our weaknesses and imperfections,

remind us to turn to you, the source of our joy,

for your grace is enough for us.

Through Christ our Lord.