

12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Bidding Prayers

Presider: We'll use a line from the Psalm as our response today.
Reader: In your great mercy...
All: **Answer me, O Lord.**

Deacon or Reader:

- 1 For the young people preparing for Confirmation.
May they receive the encouragement and support they need in their faith,
especially from their families, friends and fellow parishioners.
In your great mercy... **R. Answer me, O Lord.**
- 2 For fathers and grandfathers, godfathers and stepfathers,
for fathers to be and those who have been like a father to us.
May the Lord bless their love
and all the ways they try to provide for their families.
In your great mercy... **R. Answer me, O Lord.**
- 3 Let us pray for all babies lost before, during, or soon after birth.
May they rest in the merciful keeping of God who holds every human being,
however small, as precious in his sight.
In your great mercy... **R. Answer me, O Lord.**
- 4 With gratitude we honour all those who have gone before us,
who have lived out their faith in humble service
and handed on their love of Christ to us.
We remember especially Aldo Samuels, Patricia McDermott, Carol Wilson,
Ray Harris, Jessie Brady, Antonio Giovedi and Canon Leo Stoker.
In your great mercy... **R. Answer me, O Lord.**
- 5 Finally, let us pray quietly for our own personal intentions
and for those we have been asked to remember this weekend,
especially Margaret Morris, Malcolm Hackwell
and all the people of this parish community.
(Pause for silent prayer)
In your great mercy... **R. Answer me, O Lord.**
- 6 Now let us ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray for us all:
"Hail Mary..."

Presider: Father,
in your compassion, turn towards us
and listen to our prayers,
for your love is kind and your help never fails.
Through Christ our Lord.