**INTRODUCTION;  CELEBRANT**

**Lord, at this most difficult and dangerous time for your children throughout the world, as our loving Father we ask you to hear our prayers.**

**INTERCESSIONS**; **MINISTER OF THE WORD**

**At this difficult time for the Church, we ask for the faith to stand by Jesus and have the courage to publicly proclaim the Word of the Lord.**

We pray to the Lord               R. Lord hear our prayer

**During this Holy Week, we pray for the grace to reflect on the Way of the Cross and on the sufferings which Christ endured out of love for us.**

We pray to the Lord                R. Lord, hear our prayer

**As we reflect on the sacrifice which Jesus suffered on behalf of humanity, we pray that our society display that same love as we struggle to overcome the Corona Virus. We pray that at this time, we dedicate ourselves by word and action to a renewal of our commitment to our Christian faith and love of neighbour.**

We pray to the Lord               R. Lord hear our prayer

**We pray for all those people throughout the world who are suffering from the Corona Virus and particularly for those in intensive care. We pray also for the sick and elderly who at this time are housebound, isolated and unable to see or be with their loved ones.**

We pray to the Lord               R. Lord hear our prayer

**We pray for health workers throughout the world and particularly in our own country, who at great personal risk and sacrifice, are attending to the needs of victims of this devastating global pandemic. We pray that the Lord bless them with safety in their work and reward their personal sacrifices with success in their labours.**

We pray to the Lord               R. Lord hear our prayer

**We bow our heads and remember in silence our own personal intentions and the intentions of those who have asked for our prayers.**

We pray to the Lord               R. Lord hear our prayer

**CONCLUSION; CELEBRANT**

**We thank you, Father,  for the promise our faith holds out to us. Through our prayers and Lenten observances, may we grow even stronger in our faith. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**