Bidding Prayers for the Weekend of 25/26th April 2020.

Priest: On this Sunday, even whilst worrying about the virus and our futures, let us be confident in making our prayers to the Father of all mercies.

Lord, in your mercy……

Reader: Let us pray for our bishops, priests and deacons who are presently praying in empty churches. Let them know that the congregations, though scattered are supported by their prayers as they celebrate Mass in their homes.

Lord, in hour mercy…..

Reader: We bring to you Lord, all in our lives that is uncertain and confusing; help us to go beyond our doubts and insecurity, remembering the warm embrace of your love for all mankind.

Lord, in your mercy…..

Reader: We pray for all whose lives have been adversely affected by Covid 19 and all who are sick at home or in hospitals, and the courageous staff who care for them, that God may bring them refreshment and hope, comfort and healing.

Lord, in your mercy…..

Reader: We pray for all those who have lost loved ones in recent weeks and who have been unable to be with them, grieve for them and be comforted by friends and community.

Lord, in your mercy…..

Reader: We pray for the world we inhabit, for those who lead and make important decisions, that they may lead with mercy, compassion and integrity. Lockdown has given us time to pause, to reflect on our world and the effect we having on it. We pray that we may use the time wisely, working together to relieve the burden we put on our planet’s resources.

Lord, in your mercy…..

In a moment of silence, let us pray that for the courage of St. George as we attempt to slay the dragon that is Covid 19.

Hail Mary………

Priest: As we continue to celebrate the new life of the Resurrection, we pray to the one true God, who brings us life.