

Bidding Prayers Sunday 13th June 2021

Celebrant: As we cautiously emerge from Covid restrictions, let us reflect on the impact this period has on our lives and our needs and collective duties of care to others as we go forward.

Reader:

We pray for all leaders within the church who are entrusted to uphold the church's teachings. May their thoughts, words and actions always reflect the will of God .

Lord Hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

We pray that our government will recognize its duty of care towards peoples of other nations, whose lives have been ravaged by war, pestilence, drought and Covid, and provide adequate financial aid to these lands and treat refugees with compassion and respect. Help us *all* to reach out to those in need and provide solace and safety.

Lord Hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us give thanks for the gift of life, especially as Covid has been an integral part of our life for many months and its impact on us all. For many it has been a difficult but bearable time, for others a devastating and despairing period and for some an intolerable burden. Help us, Lord, to be aware of those in worse off situations than ourselves. Inspire us to respect the dignity of each and every person. Let us pray especially to promote the well-being of others and also support and encourage the development of faith and worship.

Lord Hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

Let us pray for our own parish community and our return to parish life where we can rebuild and forge new friendships and companionship. We enliven our Faith through contributing to Ministries, the Children's' liturgy and social enterprises. Motivate us Lord, to be aware that this will require *all of us* to think about *our own* responsibilities to *fund and contribute in person* so that these expressions of our Faith come to fruition.

Lord Hear us.

Response: Lord graciously hear us.

We now pray for a few moments for our own intentions in the silence of our hearts

We offer our prayers of intercession to our Blessed mother, our most gracious advocate:

Hail Mary.....

Celebrant: Loving God, you made all things and sustain all life. Grant our humble petitions and fill us with your love, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.