**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Year A**

**Priest: The wisdom of the scriptures reveals God’s plan for us. As we journey with Christ, let us pray that his path of life may become clearer each day.**

Reader: For the priests of the Catholic Church, that they may continue to nourish us with God’s word from the scriptures Lord Hear Us

Reader: For the nations of our world, that the good news of Christ the risen Lord may bring social justice to all Lord Hear Us

Reader: For those suffering in the darkness of error and despair; that the scriptures may be explained to them as light and truth Lord Hear Us

Reader: For the congregation God has gathered at this altar, that each one of us may recognise the real presence of the risen Lord in the eucharistic ‘breaking of the bread’ Lord Hear Us

Reader: For those in our parish who are sick, may they be comforted and given strength to recover Lord Hear Us

Reader: That the faithful departed will enter the sure hope and promise of their heavenly inheritance, especially those in our thoughts and prayers at this moment in time Lord In Your Mercy

Reader: We pray to Mary our Heavenly Mother, Hail Mary ………….

Reader: In silence, we pray for our private intentions………..

**Priest: Father of Infinite mercy, we do not see your Son, but we love him, and we offer our prayers in his name. We rejoice because we believe in him, who lives and reigns forever Amen.**