

BIDDING PRAYERS: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
10th May 2026

- Priest:** Christ commands us to show our love for him and for the Father by loving one another. By our love the power of Christ's resurrection is made known to the world. Let us now turn to the Father with our prayers for the Church and for the world.
- Reader:** For Pope Leo that his ministry will be blessed by God and hallmarked with courage, compassion and truth.
Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer
- Reader:** For our world, that God will inspire world leaders with new ways to right injustice and establish peace.
Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer
- Reader:** For all the peoples of the world, that they may rejoice in the gift of love, and that hatred and bloodshed may come to an end.
Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer
- Reader:** For all who are sitting or preparing for exams, that the Holy Spirit will guide them to use their gifts wisely and well.
Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer
- Reader:** For ourselves, that we may encounter Christ in this Eucharist and reflect his love to all those we meet today and for the children from our high schools who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday.
Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer
- Reader:** Let us remember the intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend;
Also, those who have died recently, Ann Barnes, Mick Green, Sister Anne Hewitt, John Littler, Grace Gee, Stella Hollebone, Dr Judith Champ, Francis Brian Nelson and Fr Peter McGiveron. May they share in Christ's victory over death.
Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer
- Reader:** Let us pray for our own private intentions; (pause).
In this month of May we ask Our Blessed Mother, Mary, to pray with us and for us: **Hail Mary**
- Priest:** God our Father, Send your Spirit of truth into our hearts that we may always reject what is false, live by the commands of Christ, and be true to the love you have shown us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.