**Prayer of the Faithful**

**6th Sunday of Easter, 9th May**

**Introduction**

The psalmist declares that we should sing a new song to the Lord who has worked wonders. With confidence in these wonders, we have witnessed we offer our petitions.

**Petitions**

1. We pray for the Church, under the leadership of Pope Francis that in this season of Easter we may bear witness to the joy that the Gospel brings.

(Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

1. We pray for those around the world now struggling with Covid 19 and especially as this time for the nation of India. Heal and comfort those who are sick and suffering. Protect and guide the health professional who are at the front line.

(Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

1. We pray for those who are suffering from mental illness, especially those who are contemplating suicide, that the Holy Spirit will convince them of the immense love God has for them through the compassion that they experience.

(Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

1. We pray for those gathered here that we may be ready to bear witness to the hope that we have been given through the knowledge that the love we share comes from God.

(Pause) Let us pray to the Lord

1. For all who have been baptised in the name of Jesus, that they will be a credible sign of God’s saving love for the world. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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1. For mothers, grandmothers and all who have a motherly role, that they will be blessed by the children they have raised with love.

(Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

**Conclusion**

Father, knowing that you sent your only Son, we also know that you will accept these petitions we have put before you, grant them through the power of your Spirit and in the name of Christ our Lord.

Amen.