

# Bidding Prayers

## Bidding Prayers for week beginning 6 April 2024

### Reader:

Let us pray for the universal Church which has Christ for its shepherd, that we may follow his path of truth and love. We pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and for his bishops, that their faith, integrity, and leadership inspire us to help further God's kingdom on earth. We pray for all who live in our local community of all faiths and none. We remember especially this week the congregation of St. Thomas', Oakwood.

### ***Lord in your mercy.***

Let us pray for those who have been received into the Church this Easter, and for all Christians, that they may grow in God's love and be faithful to the Gospel.

### ***Lord in your mercy...***

Let us pray for an end to hostilities in Israel and Palestine, in Ukraine, and in the many other places where war and conflict are prevalent in our troubled world. We pray for the displaced and the dispossessed, that they might find some comfort in their lives, and for the agencies and charities that support them.

### ***Lord in your mercy...***

Let us pray for those affected by climate change, whether through drought, flooding or excessive temperatures. We pray that those in positions of authority use their influence to drive through policies aimed at mitigating the worst effects that we as humans are having on our fragile home.

### ***Lord in your mercy...***

Let us pray for the sick of our parish, for those who care for them and for those who have especially asked for our prayers:

### ***Lord in your mercy...***

Let us pray for those who have died recently

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and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, that the Lord may lead them to everlasting life:

### ***Lord in your mercy...***

Let us ask Our Lady, Queen of Peace, to pray for us:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.

And now let us pray for a few moments in silence, remembering our own needs and intentions.