

BIDDING PRAYERS: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
16th April 2023

Priest: Lord God, with confidence and trust we bring our prayers to you, knowing that your same love which raised Jesus from the silence of the tomb also hears the deepest yearning of our hearts.

Reader: For Pope Francis and all leaders of our Church; that they might bring the light of hope into the hearts of people.
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Reader: For peace in our world, especially in Ukraine; that in this holy season, the grace and peace of the risen Lord may enter the hearts of all those involved in conflicts and show the way to true peace.
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Reader: For those who, like Thomas, have times of doubt; may the Lord reveal the truth of his presence to them, especially in challenging times.
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Reader: For those who are living with fear and anxiety; on this Feast of Divine Mercy may the risen Lord be close to them grant them comfort and peace.
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Reader: We pray for those who are sick; may the healing hand of the Lord be upon them.
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Reader: Let us remember especially today all those for whom this Mass is offered. Also, all those who have died recently, especially, Bill Woodcock, Michael Phillipson, William Gaffney, Mary Church, Eileen Hardacre, Roland Eccles, Kathleen Mary Walne.
May they share in Christ's victory over death.
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Reader: Let us pray for our own private intentions; (pause). Mary witnessed the death and resurrection of her Son; we ask her to help teach us the Easter mystery:
Hail Mary ...

Priest: Father of our Saviour and Redeemer, you lead your people from defeat to triumph, from darkness to light: hear and grant these prayers which your people place before you on this day, through Christ our risen Lord. Amen.