**Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord’s Supper**

**Prayers of the Faithful**

**Celebrant:** Jesus has promised us: 'wherever two or three are gathered in my name there am I in their midst '. Let us unite ourselves with Christ and make our prayers to the Father through him.

1. In thanksgiving for the gift of the Lord's body and blood; for the grace to worship him fervently and receive him worthily. **Lord, hear us.**
2. For all who exercise authority in the Church, that they may take Christ as their model for ministry and serve God’s people in humility, courage and truth. **Lord, hear us.**
3. On this holy night when Jesus instituted the priesthood, we pray for priests. Bless them with the gift of holiness and pastoral charity. May they continue to bring God’s grace and blessings to His people, through the celebration of the Sacraments. **Lord, hear us.**
4. We pray for vocations to the priesthood. The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few, and so we ask the Lord of the harvest, to send labourers into His harvest. **Lord, hear us.**
5. For all who wash the feet of others: those in ministry, those in the caring profession, parents, and volunteers. May their example of humility, compassion, and care bring hope, consolation, and healing. **Lord, hear us.**
6. We pray for all who are suffering and carrying the burden of illness, grief, anxiety or guilt. Guide them towards freedom, wholeness and faith in you as a loving God who seeks to serve and save us. **Lord, hear us.**
7. For those who have died; may they take their place at the heavenly banquet in the Lord’s kingdom. **Lord, hear us.**

**Celebrant:**

Lord God, your Son taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for Him. Give us the grace to be the servant of others as he was the servant of all. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen**.