

## **Palm Sunday**

### **Prayers of the Faithful**

#### **Celebrant:**

Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who endured His passion and death so as to rise to new life, we bring our prayers in confidence to God for He has done great things for love of us.

1. As Holy Week begins, we pray for Pope Francis, that he will have the health, strength and courage to lead the world to a deeper understanding of Jesus' as the way, the truth and the life. **Lord, hear us.**
2. For those in positions of government and civil leadership; help them to govern wisely and justly. May they recognise in Jesus the model for leadership and humble service. **Lord, hear us.**
3. For the followers of Jesus Christ: like Veronica may we never be afraid of reaching out with compassion and love to those often forgotten or rejected by an indifferent and sometimes hostile world. **Lord, hear us.**
4. We pray for peace in our world and especially an end to the conflict in Ukraine. May God's presence and a spirit of humility and reconciliation guide negotiations which secure lasting peace and stability. **Lord, hear us.**
5. For all who take up their cross as followers of Christ. We pray especially for our Christian brothers and sisters throughout the Holy Land. May 'every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father'. **Lord, hear us.**
6. For the work of Trócaire in Somalia and Ukraine this Lent. May our generous support alleviate the suffering of our brothers and sisters. **Lord, hear us.**

7. As Christ endured his Passion, may His saving death restore in us a deep reverence and respect for every human life, for which He sacrificed His own life. **Lord, hear us.**
  
8. For all who have died; that the suffering and death of Our Lord Jesus Christ may lead them to the joy of rising again. **Lord, hear us.**

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O God of love and mercy, from the cross your Son cried out to you in complete trust. With that same trust, hear the prayer of your people as we ask them in the name of Jesus, the crucified and risen one, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.