**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Prayers of the Faithful**

**Celebrant:** God has conquered death. We therefore turn to him with confidence to pray for the Church and the world.

1. For the Church, Pope Francis, all bishops, priests, deacons, and consecrated people; that they will faithfully fulfil the task bestowed on them in proclaiming God’s mercy to the world. **Lord, hear us.**
2. Through the discipline of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, may we grow in self-discipline, charity, forgiveness, and discipleship. **Lord, hear us.**
3. For our parish community that, by keeping Lent well, we will come to the celebration of Easter with hearts and minds renewed. **Lord, hear us.**
4. For the Elect and all preparing for the Easter Sacraments. May the seeds of the gospel, yield a rich harvest of prayer, faith and service. **Lord, hear us.**
5. For the people of Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, and conflict zones across the world; that God will turn hearts from violence, protect the innocent, open new understanding of each other’s fears and hopes, and heal the wounds and mistrust that exists. **Lord, hear us.**
6. We pray for those discerning their vocation in life and those who support them on their journey. May they listen attentively to the voice of the Lord echoing in their lives, calling them to, “Come, follow me.” **Lord, hear us.**
7. For healthcare professionals and al who are for the sick; that they will be witnesses of Christ’s healing to all entrusted to their care. **Lord, hear us.**
8. For all who mourn the death of a loved one, that the Lord will heal their wounds, and fill them with hope in the Resurrection. **Lord, hear us.**

**Celebrant:**

Heavenly Father, may your people turn to you with all their heart, trusting that whatever they dare to ask in prayer they may receive by your mercy. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.