

**Intentions for Prayer**  
**The Second Sunday of Easter (B) – Divine Mercy**

That the Church may be empowered by the Divine Mercy to share our faith with the world and all Christians bear witness to the good news of the resurrection:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That our world's leaders may always be willing to exercise mercy as they seek to resolve international problems,

*Lord, hear us ...*

That the gift of forgiveness, entrusted to the Church through the apostles, may reach all who have been wounded by grave sin,

*Lord, hear us ...*

For those like Thomas, who do not yet believe: that they may see the risen Lord in words and actions of faith and charity,

*Lord, hear us ...*

That as the apostles put their resources at the service of the needy, so may we support efforts to help the poor, the weak and the unborn:

*Lord, hear us ...*

For an end to this pandemic; that widespread vaccination may prove successful and that nations may work together and neighbours help one another:

*Lord, hear us ...*

For doctors, nurses, healthcare workers and carers; that they may be sustained in their service and bring healing and help to all who are in their care during this time of pandemic:

*Lord, hear us ...*

For those who must endure a time of self-isolation or make the sacrifice of shielding for another; that they may have reward for their goodness:

*Lord, hear us ...*

For the sick, the suffering and the fearful; that as they share in the Passion, they may know the healing presence of the Cross of Christ:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That those who grieve for their departed loved ones may be consoled by the promise and joy of our Lord Jesus Christ:

*Lord, hear us ...*

That those who have died may share in the promise of new life won for us by the resurrection

*Lord, hear us ...*

We seek the help of Mary, Mother of the risen Lord, as we pray: *Hail, Mary...*