General intercessions

Third Sunday of Easter

Celebrant: We praise the God of all life and we ask him to meet all our needs:

Reader:

That our Pope and bishops may have continued strength to tend the flock that Jesus has entrusted to them:

Lord, hear us ...

That we may take courage from the example of the apostles and offer the witness of the Gospel to the social and political issues of our day: *Lord, hear us* ...

For all Christians in places where they cannot publically proclaim the name of Jesus, that they may be freed from discrimination and violence: *Lord, hear us* ...

That Christ's victory over death may bring hope and a new beginning to all who suffer from war and violence, particularly in Ukraine:

Lord, hear us ...

For all the refugees and displaced peoples of Ukraine, that they may be welcomed and supported by those who have received them,

Lord, hear us ...

That the sick, the suffering and the lonely may know they are close to the heart of Christ:

Lord, hear us ...

That God may give eternal rest and joy to all whom he has called from this life: *Lord, hear us ...*

Celebrant:

Let us seek the prayers of Our Lady, Queen of the May: Hail Mary ...

Father, as we present you our petitions, may we also declare to you our love. Keep us faithful throughout life. Through Christ our Lord.