

# The General Intercessions 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

### Introduction

*Let us place all our hope in the Lord as we present our prayers and petitions before him.*

### Prayers

That our Holy Father, Pope Francis and bishops of the Church may have the strength to govern wisely, those entrusted to them.

**Lord, hear us.**

We pray for young people; that they may reach their full potential and not be afraid to place their trust in Jesus, who is **“the way, the truth and the life”**.

**Lord, hear us.**

That those who serve as deacons may have courage and compassion in their ministry of service to God’s people.

**Lord, hear us.**

We pray for an end to violence and conflict in Sudan, and Ukraine. All leaders to return to the path of dialogue for unity and peace.

**Lord hear us.**

We pray for vocations to the priesthood in our diocese, that those whom the Lord is calling may answer generously.

**Lord, hear us.**

We pray for those whom this Mass is been offered,

and we pray for the recently deceased.

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that they may find light, happiness, and peace in his kingdom.

**Lord, hear us.**

**Through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, we pray:**

**Hail Mary**, full of grace. Our Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

### Conclusion

*Father, as we reflect today on your beloved Son, Jesus, our true Way to You, we thank you for the confidence and encouragement we have gained through his glorious resurrection. We pray that we sinners may be made worthy of your promise of salvation.*

*We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.*