

## Prayers of the Faithful – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Year B

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021

- We pray for the Church that we may continually draw life from Christ and bear a rich harvest of virtues and Gospel values for God's glory.

**Lord hear us**

- We pray for a renewed spirit of evangelisation – may the Spirit help us to give witness to the good news of God's love in deeds of loving service to all we meet.

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- We pray for Christians facing persecution for their beliefs – may God give them strength, wisdom to overcome obstacles and the grace to forgive their persecutors.

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- We pray for all Countries overwhelmed by the Covid pandemic particularly India and Brazil – may God slow the spread of the virus across the world, give strength to all carers and open opportunities for the fair distribution of vaccines.

**Lord hear us**

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- We pray for our sick, especially:-

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Isobel Gardner, John Leslie, Kasia Donnelly and Nan McLaughlin

**May Christ, the source of all life, ease their pain and restore them to health.**

**Lord hear us**

- We pray for our beloved dead and all who have gone before us, especially:- Robert McKendrick, Desmond McNamara & George Jennings

**We also remember the anniversaries of Catherine Phillips, Stephen Athanasius Smalls, Anne Grant, Edward Grattan & Eileen Macdonald and the month's minds of Catherine Ewen that occur at this time.**

**May our Risen Lord guide them to their eternal reward in the Kingdom of Heaven.**

**Lord hear us**