

Prayers of the Faithful – Palm Sunday Year C

Celebrant: In His passion, the Lord Jesus offers prayers to His Father on our behalf:

- We pray for the Church – may we imitate Christ by letting go of control; power and live our lives humbly in the service of others allowing the Spirit of God to sustain and renew us each day.

Lord in your mercy

- We pray for all Christians who are being persecuted for living the Gospel – may the Lord sustain and strengthen them and help them to bear faithful witness to the Gospel in the face of hatred and hostility.

Lord in your mercy

- We pray for the grace to forgive - may we have the courage to seek forgiveness through the sacrament of Reconciliation and freely forgive all who injure us just as God has to us through his merciful love.

Lord in your mercy

- We pray for peace, particularly in the Ukraine and the Middle East – may the Passion of Christ break down barriers in the hearts of opponents and open new levels of honesty in the dialogue between them so a lasting peace will arise.

Lord in your mercy

- We pray for all our sick, especially:-

Theresa Mooney, Nan McLaughlin, John Dobbin, Brendan McCarron, Anne McClure, Jean McCapra and Pope Francis.

May the Holy Spirit bring them healing and relieve their suffering.

Lord in your mercy

- We pray for all who have died, remembering Joseph Ferrie who died recently.
We also remember the anniversaries of Bishop-elect Martin Chambers; Antonio Loia and Doreen Connelly.
May the light of Christ shine on them for all eternity.

Lord in your mercy

Celebrant: Father in Heaven,

Forgive us when we sin.

Listen with mercy to the prayers that we offer.

This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.