INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY OF Lent Year C

PRIEST: With confidence in God who gave up His Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, to reconcile and justify us, we humbly ask Our Loving Father to help in all our needs.

READER: We pray for the Church that in this time of preparation, may we be transfigured with Christ, renewed in faith and hope reaching out to one another as true disciples. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

In God's infinite love we have each been called to proclaim the living Word of God. May we help each other to grow in our understanding of that Word and receive it in love and joy. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the people of Ukraine, who have suffered such deadly violence for so long. May the world's leaders and diplomats find the courage and will to put an end to this conflict and build a just peace and real hope. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

Let us remember the victims of violence and war everywhere,and especially the children who suffer so much. May they know the Love and compassion they need. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for the people who use violence, fear and deadly force as a means to an end. May their hearts and minds be changed to recognise their victims as sisters and brothers. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

Let us pray for all who are sick and for all who are in hospital that they may be aware that the Lord is with them in their pain. **Lord in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer.**

In the silence of our hearts, let us pray for our own intentions.

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us. **Hail Mary ...**

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-living God,

we give thanks for all the graces that you bless us with.

Help us to be filled with your spirit of Love and compassion as we prepare for the Day of the Lord. May be true witnesses to your Love;

we ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.