

INTERCESSIONS FOR THE 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Vocations Sunday

PRIEST: Christ is the Good Shepherd who gives his life for his flock. In our Eucharist today filled with gratitude let us rejoice.

READER: As disciples of Christ we must learn to recognise and respond to his voice when he calls. May our hearts become a home for the word of God. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

Our vocation is to be children of God, our hearts filled with love, integrity and joy. May we answer his call to serve our community as single or married, religious and ordained. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

We pray for all who are suffering the horrors of war and armed conflict, those affected by discrimination and persecution because of ethnic, social and religious differences. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

We pray for all those who worship God, May we all sing for ever of his love and work together for peace and justice today. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

We pray for Missionaries everywhere, may their faith and courage be strengthened with love and compassion. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

We remember especially the sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound, those of our own families wherever they may be. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

Let us pray for those who have recently died... and for all our dead... may they find the fullness of life in Christ. **Lord in your Mercy, Hear our Prayer**

Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions.

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

PRIEST: Almighty and ever-living God,
we thank you for hearing and answering our prayers because we ask them through your Son
Our Lord Jesus Christ.

AMEN