Sunday 31 March 2024

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Prayer of the Faithful

Priest We proclaim with the whole Church that Jesus Christ is risen and through him, we offer our prayers to the Father.

- 1. We pray for the Church. That her leaders, especially Pope Francis and Archbishop Anthony, continue to grow in the love of Christ and remain faithful to his teachings, through the intercession of his Mother. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 2. We pray for the leaders of nations. May they work together sincerely and effectively to ensure universal respect for the sanctity of life from conception to the grave. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 3. We pray that the light of the Risen Christ shine upon the poor, the afflicted, the hungry and the homeless, giving them hope and consolation. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 4. We pray for the newly baptized and all those received into the Catholic Faith this evening. May they experience freedom and peace in Christ and may they be faithful to the promises they have made. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 5. We pray for our parish of St Michael's. May we continue to work tirelessly in a spirit of cooperation and love, so that at journey's end we may all attain our heart's desire: to see God face to face. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 6. We pray for courage to trust in God's love, especially those affected by illness: Bob Hinson, Sandra Kirner, Henry Chau, Rony Widjaja, Ana.
- 7. We pray for family members and friends who have gone before us, may they find eternal peace in the Risen Christ: Monica McInerney, John Mercer, Fred Perera, Jose Tony Quiros, Helen Kwan, Jaime Napoleon Centeno Ching, Demetria Dela Rosa Barros, Henry Chua, Marko Hrestak, Florentino Gonzalez Junior.

Pray also for those whose death anniversary occurs about now especially Ana Spata. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest God our Father, creator of heaven and earth, we bless you and thank you for this holy night. May the Holy Spirit be with us always, helping us to be faithful witnesses to the Risen Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.