

28 April 2024

**Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B**  
**Prayer of the Faithful**

Priest: Christ says, "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it," Let us ask the Father that all men may heed these words and know the saving power of his Son's resurrection.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Archbishop Anthony, all bishops and priests. May they be true branches of the vine of Christ ever growing in the Faith and persevering in their commitment and service to his Holy Church. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for all Catholics. May we cling to the One True Vine by frequenting the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist and avoiding the occasion of sin. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for all of us gathered here. May we recognise the forgiving love of the Trinitarian God, thus freeing our consciences from fear and guilt and giving us peace. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for all who are suffering. May the hope which comes from the risen Lord sustain and strengthen those who are pruned by illness, bereavement, family problems, financial hardship and other difficulties. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Angy, Sr Louise Byrne, Josephine Ferraro Almo, Sandra Kirner, Henry Chau, Edward Gorzkowski. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for family and friends who have gone before us, may they find eternal peace in the Risen Christ: Michael Shiel, Aurelia Muscat, Marie Doherty, John Mercer, Fred Perera.

Pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now especially for Esperanza Inventor.

Pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory especially those who have no one to pray for them. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest: Almighty Father, the risen Lord Jesus dwells in you and he is the perfect mediator of our prayer. Hear us in him, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

All: Amen.