

15 May 2022  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C**  
**Prayer of the Faithful**

Priest God wills that there be a new heaven and a new earth. His new Jerusalem is being formed already wherever the new commandment to “love one another” is put into action. Our prayers for others extend that love.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Archbishop Anthony, all bishops, and priests. May they give guidance, support and encouragement for people to persevere in their Christian convictions as well as ensuring that the message and vision of Jesus be communicated to the whole world. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for families. May parents witness to their children by their self-sacrificing love and may children be their joy on earth and their crown of glory in heaven. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for all Catholics. May we live out the heart and foundation of Jesus’ life and teaching: to love one another as he has loved us. May we be true disciples by loving, praying for and wishing God’s blessings on those who have caused us difficulties, hurt us, failed us or simply behaved in a way which we cannot accept as good. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for all Christians. May this Easter season be a time of renewal bringing everyone to a deeper level of understanding, insight and commitment to the Gospel of Christ so that we can help each other transform the whole society in the vision of the Kingdom. (Pause). Lord, hear us.
5. Give health to those who are divided within themselves by mental illness so that they may live with their family and friends in joy and contentment. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing, and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Peggy Tam, Marjorie Penny, Darrell Boesen, Ann Boesen, Gwen Smith, Floricia Ruiz, Rory Higgins. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the soul of Angelo Battisti who recently departed from this life.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Michael Zarro, Angelina Cattarinuzzi, Maria.

Let us also pray for the souls of Alan Mercer, Kathleen Mercer, Jan Mercer, Joe Older, Jack Cornish, Daisy Cornish, Mick Polding Olive Polding, the Poor Souls in Purgatory and those who have died in wars past and present. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest God of kindness and compassion, you make all things new. In Christ we have been transformed and sent out to serve. May our actions always show that we are Christ’s disciples. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.