

Bidding Prayers for the weekend of 1st/2nd May 2021

5th Sunday of Easter

Priest:

Christ is the vine and we are the branches: we draw our life and inspiration from him. With courage and faith, let us come before the Lord with our needs and the needs of His Church.

Reader:

For the Church: we pray that she may continue to make Jesus known to the world through words of faith and works of love.

Lord, hear us...

For our bishops, priests, and religious: we ask that they may be fruitful branches of Christ, the life-giving vine, and that they may never fail to proclaim the Gospel even in the face of adversity or trial

Lord, hear us...

For those seeking election to local authorities and devolved government: we pray that they be guided by truth and a concern for the common good. Where they are right, may the Lord strengthen and confirm them; where they are in error, may he direct them for the good of all people.

Lord, hear us...

Let us pray for the sick, particularly those suffering in India, and those who care for them: that Christ may be the cornerstone of their lives and a firm hope in these times.

Lord, hear us...

With Mary, the mother of Jesus who already shares in the resurrection, we pray,

Hail Mary...

Now, let us make our private petitions to our heavenly Father who sees and hears all that is done in secret of our hearts.

Priest:

Heavenly Father, the vine grower, we ask that your Spirit may work in and through us to make us branches that bear much fruit for your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.