

## **Prayer of the Faithful**

### **22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022. Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Priest; Lord Jesus, help us to feel the peace of God wherever we go. Hear our prayers we bring before you.**

We pray for Pope Francis, our Church, the Clergy and all that worship and serve within. That guided by the Holy Spirit, we may all remain loving, trusting and supportive of each other as we move forward to face new challenges, whilst emerging from the restrictions imposed during Covid-19 pandemic.

**Lord in your mercy.**

We pray for those in government, positions of power and other authorities. That they may harken to the real needs of their constituents and communities, positively act to stem the rising household bills, and provide timely access to much needed resources, where required.

**Lord in your mercy.**

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for Syria, Yemen and Nigeria. For the women of Afghanistan, and for all parts of the world where fighting and bloodshed impact innocent lives and love. Lord, may your peace, justice and respect for human rights reign supreme.

**Lord in your mercy.**

We pray for the soul of Miss Deborah Samuel, the female student killed in Northern Nigeria this week, for alleged blasphemy. We also pray for all other victims of such allegations worldwide, and for all people struggling to or unable to practice their faith, due to fear of persecution and even death.

**Lord in your mercy.**

We pray for those currently attending the Parish Alpha course. That they may encounter, or have a renewed encounter with the Lord on their journey, and find the answers to those pressing questions.

**Lord in your mercy.**

We pray for the sick in our community. Lord we pray you grant them healing, comfort and an increase in faith, that your name be glorified in all things.

**Lord in your mercy.**

Merciful Father we remember all those who have died and especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they continue to rest in peace with Christ, and rise with him in glory.

**Lord in your mercy.**

During the month of May, we pray to Mary the mother of Jesus as we say...*Hail Mary full of grace...*

**Priest; Lord Jesus, help us to be witnesses of the transformation you make in our lives. Remind us of your love and let us be ready to do what you ask of us. Amen.**