# Second Sunday of Lent

## March 5th, 2023, Cycle A

1. For Pope Francis and the Bishops of our Church that they will encourage the faith community to live by Christ's commandment of love and lead the world to believe in the saving power of Jesus.

Lord, hear us.

2. For the members of this community. May our faith strengthen us to face the troubles of life, confident that God is always with us.

Lord, hear us.

3. For young members of our families and communities that they may follow the Lord's call through lives of generosity and care for creation.

Lord, hear us.

4. For peace in our hearts, our homes and throughout the world. May we be blessed to see an end to war and division and harmful exploitation of our beautiful earth.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that during this Lenten season we will be compassionate, loving and generous, in our service to those in need.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause now for our own prayers. (\* 5 second pause)

Lord, hear us.

...Priest: We pray for our dead.

### Third Sunday of Lent

### March 12th, 2023, Cycle A

1. For the Church and for all who suffer for following Christ. May their faithful witness be a source of life and inspiration for believers.

Lord, hear us.

2. For peace and healing for all who are sick or troubled.

Lord, hear us.

3. For those who work in the rescue services and risk their lives for others. May they be blessed for their generosity and preserved from all harm.

Lord, hear us.

4. For all the children of this community who will receive the sacraments of Penance, Holy Communion and Confirmation: may they grow in health and strength and in the light of the Gospel.

Lord, hear us.

5. For children displaced from their homes and countries: may they find permanent homes within loving communities.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause for our own prayers. (\* 5 second pause)

Lord, hear us.

....Priest: We pray for the dead....

### St. Patricks Day

## March 17th, 2023, Cycle A

1. We pray for the Catholic Church in Ireland. Strengthen the faith of its members, guide its leaders to build supportive faith communities that serve the needs of the people.

Lord, hear us.

2. We pray today for all who, like St. Patrick, shared their faith with us and accompanied us along the path of discipleship.

Lord, hear us.

3. We pray for all Irish people who live abroad. As they celebrate the feast of their patron Saint, enkindle in them the faith they inherited.

Lord, hear us.

4. We pray for people who have abandoned their faith and who search for meaning along other paths. Lord, guide them along the path of salvation.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that all members of our Church who dedicate their lives to the service of others may reveal the face of your mercy through their words and actions.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause for our own prayers. (\* 5 second pause)

Lord, hear us.

...Priest: We pray for the dead .

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

### March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Cycle A.

1. We pray God's blessing on Pope Francis as he celebrates the 10th anniversary of his Papal ministry.

Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that, through our Church, we will experience God's love, mercy and compassion.

Lord, hear us.

3. We pray for those who carry the cross of sickness, in mind or body.

Lord, hear us.

4. We pray for people throughout the world who are dying from lack of adequate nutrition and health care.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that through our Lenten prayer and reflection we may uncover the deepest meaning of this holy season.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause for our own prayers. (\* 5 second pause)

Lord, hear us.

... Priest: We pray for our dead.

### **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

### March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Cycle A.

1. We pray for the leaders of our Church that they may have the courage to confront the social conditions that contribute to human suffering.

Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that our Lenten pilgrimage will bring us to Easter joy, along the path of prayer and good works.

Lord, hear us.

3. We pray that our deeds of mercy may express your mercy to a suffering world.

Lord, hear us.

4. We pray that those who live with terminal illness may experience compassion and encouragement in their caregivers.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that we may use the resources of our earth with concern for the needs of others.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause for our own prayers. (\* 5 second pause)

Lord, hear us.

...Priest: We pray for our dead.