

HOLY THURSDAY

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL – CYCLE A

Celebrant: Gathered together to participate in the commemoration of the Lord's Last Supper, let us commit ourselves to follow His example of love and service.

Our response is: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. For the Church, especially for our Holy Father Pope Francis; our Bishop Paul, Priests Religious, Deacons and for all faithful, that we may be faithful to Christ's command of love and service to all. Let us pray to the Lord.

2. For all those who are dedicated to the service of the parish: the Parish Pastoral Council and various other committees and ministries, that they may be blessed and strengthened for a generous service to all. Let us pray to the Lord.

3. For the poor and suffering, that the Lord may strengthen them and be close to them in their difficulties. Let us pray to the Lord.

4. For a happy atmosphere in all families of our parish that they may fulfill the call of God and so experience the love and guidance of Christ in our lives. Let us pray to the Lord.

5. For all nations and rulers especially for the United Arab Emirates, for The President, His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan; for the Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; for the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme commander of the UAE Armed forces, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan and all those in authority, that they may be blessed to lead the country in to prosperity and peace. Let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: Father, Your Son Jesus commanded us to love one another. Help us to be faithful to that commandment and dedicate ourselves to a life of service to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*