

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
CYCLE A
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: As the time of Christ's suffering and death draws nearer, let us ask the Father to lead us through the dark moments of the Passover of his Son to the glory of his Resurrection.

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

1. For the holy Church of God, that she may be defended from the snares of her enemies through the Spirit of Christ, who makes his home in her, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. For all the peoples of this world, that they may be gathered into the Father's kingdom through the prayers and sacrifices of Christians in every nation, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. For the dying, that they may pass peacefully and confidently through the gates of death to meet him who is the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. For those who mourn, that the Christ who wept for Lazarus his friend may console them in their grief, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. For the faithful departed, that the Lord may unbind them and let them go free in the kingdom his glory, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Father, hear the prayers of your Church. Bring forth to resurrection the people who trust in your promises. We ask this, through Christ our Lord.

Response: *Amen*