

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Date:	15th. March 2020.
Day:	3rd. Sunday of Lent Year A
<i>Priest's introduction</i>	As we journey through Lent we pray that, like the Samaritan woman, we may be open to the Living Water, the Holy Spirit, that Jesus desires to pour into our hearts.
<i>Intention 1</i>	<p>We pray for blessings and protection for Pope Francis and all Church leaders. We pray for the Pope's monthly intention that the Church in China will persevere and grow.</p> <p><i>Pause</i></p> <p>Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer</p>
<i>Intention 2</i>	<p>We pray for our Government at this time that they will make wise decisions to help stop the spread of the Coronavirus. We pray for God's intervention for protection of all countries.</p> <p><i>Pause</i></p> <p>Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer</p>
<i>Intention 3</i>	<p>We pray for the sick in our Parish and those whom we know. We pray that they will receive the Lord's love and provision through all those who care for them.</p> <p><i>Pause</i></p> <p>Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer</p>
<i>Intention 4</i>	<p>We pray for all those in our Parish who are preparing for the Sacraments. We ask our Lord that they will be drawn closer to Him at this time.</p> <p><i>Pause</i></p> <p>Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer</p>
	<i>If the celebrant wishes, an extra, last-minute intention may be added here by hand before Mass.</i>
<i>Intention 5</i>	<p>We pray for those who have died recently, both in our Parish and those whom we know. May they now be enfolded in God's love and peace.</p> <p><i>Pause</i></p> <p>Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer</p>
	Let us ask Our Lady, Queen of Peace, to join her prayers with ours as we say: Hail Mary....
<i>Priest's prayer</i>	<p>Dear Heavenly Father thank You that You are our Shepherd and our Rock, and that You always provide for our needs. Help us, like the Samaritan woman, to bring others to You through our witness. We pray this in Jesus' Name. Amen.</p>