

Prayers of the People
Easter Sunday
The Resurrection Of Our Lord
Year B
April 8, 2012

Today we say Alleluia, for what was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us with all confidence bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give all god's people hope; for Christ is risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer.

On this feast day which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one; for Christ is risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer.

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer

For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; and for all of those listed on our Parish Prayer List, that death and illness may have no more power over us; for Christ is risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer

For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears, for Christ is risen; so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer.

May this community here gathered have the persistent faith of Mary Magdalene and the surprised belief of Peter and John. May we long to be God's sign of life in our world; for Christ has risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer

May all members of the Armed Forces, here, deployed overseas, on the seas, in the seas, and in the skies, and remembering especially those in harm's way, George Dutile, Jonathan Wendt, Jedidiah Crews, and Virginia Hudgins, know that God will protect and defend them day-by-day, strengthen them in their trials, and comfort them in the night; for Christ is risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer.

May all who have died be received at your heavenly banquet and may we be one in faith with all of them, for our life is hid with Christ in God; for Christ is risen, so we pray:

Lord, hear our Prayer.

The celebrant concludes with a proper collect.