

Prayers of the Faithful.. 2nd Sunday of Lent. 17.3.19

Priest : My dear friends, in these days of Lent we prepare ourselves for the celebration of Christ's passover by a life of sacrifice and works of love. Let us pray that God will make us sharers in the new life of our risen Saviour.

Reader: We pray for all members of the Catholic Church as we travel on our Lenten journey. From the darkness following the passion and death of Jesus, the joy of resurrection and the Easter season will embrace us. We pray for unification, faith and love for all at this holy time.....  
Lord hear us.....

Reader: May those who do not believe in a life after death receive new hope through the Christian witness of our lives.....  
Lord hear us...

Reader: For our Indigenous brothers and sisters in countries all over the world, that their traditional cultures are recognised and valued. May we support them to preserve and protect their cultures and our common home.....  
Lord hear us.....

Reader: We pray for the Caritas volunteers who work tirelessly to help the poor and marginalised in developing alternative sustainable livelihoods, keeping communities safe and self sufficient.....  
Lord hear us.....

Reader: The remembrance of Saint Patrick and our much loved priest Father Sean Bredin and all our family members of Irish heritage past and present... always in our thoughts and prayers.....  
Lord hear us.....

Reader: For those who are suffering with illness, those who have died this week and those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Loris Carberry, ~~Ann~~ Ann-Marie Walker  
May they be at peace in God's loving embrace.....  
Lord hear us.....

*Tony Tambirasa*

*Ann-Marie Walker*

*John Zurich*

Reader: We bow our heads and ask God to listen to our special needs in our hearts.....

Lord hear us.....

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Priest: Almighty God, your Son poured out his life for men when he died on the cross, and we are called to share in his saving death by our works of love. Hear our prayers and grant that one day we may come to the fulness of the resurrection to live and love for ever. We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
AMEN.

That the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion chosen and recommissioned today to assist our priests in our parish may be reverent and faithful in ministering the Body and Blood of Christ and give good example by their Christian lives. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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God of Peace, We pray for those killed and injured and for those who will mourn. We pray for the people of emergency services as they respond, and for community leaders and faith leaders as they work to heal broken communities.

Soften the hearts of those who are motivated by hate and bring peace to your precious people of New Zealand.

We pray to the Lord.