

Sixth Sunday of Easter (9 May 2021)  
PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

1. We pray for the church throughout the world, her people and her pastors; for greater unity among the members of the body of Christ; for believers, seekers, and those who long for the fullness of God's Holy Spirit ... we pray to the Lord.
2. We pray for those who proclaim God's mercy to the poor and the marginalized; for ministers of the Word and ministers of service; and for generous hearts to answer God's call to public service or church ministry ... we pray to the Lord.
3. We pray that Christian believers will be better signs of God's tremendous love for the human family and for all creation; for peacemakers and peacekeepers, diplomats and soldiers, missionaries and pilgrims ... we pray to the Lord.
4. We pray for all the women who have been an influence for good in our lives; for our mothers who gave us life and nurtured us along the way; for all whose yearning for children goes unfulfilled; and for those who await the birth of a child in joy and fear ... we pray to the Lord.
5. We pray for those who extend love in difficult situations and at great risk; for grandparents raising grandchildren, foster families and adoptive families; and for those who give generously to help others in need ... we pray to the Lord.
6. We pray for those who are sick, the homebound, the disabled, and the dying; for those suffering from chronic pain, substance abuse, mental health issues, and the coronavirus; and for their caregivers; we pray especially for Patty Fitzgerald; Arthur Cacella, Jr.; Joan Bascom; Joanne Kukielka;

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... We ask God to extend to them healing and comfort ... we pray to the Lord.

7. We pray for those who have entered eternal life to join the blessed of God in heaven; and we pray for the loved ones they leave behind, especially Richard Crotty; Marilyn Batts; Ann Hanych; Ann Cekada; Ruth Fitzgerald; Goldie Weaver; Richard Welsh; Rosemary Shimer; Peggy Dixon;

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... We pray that they know eternal peace in God's loving embrace ... we pray to the Lord.