

Year A – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Brothers and sisters, the Father desires to answer our prayers that He may be glorified through His Son Jesus. Therefore, let us bring Him our needs.

That the Church may boldly “proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light”.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

That the Church may bear witness that God alone has the authority to give and take human life.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

That governments may serve the needs of their citizens with justice and mercy.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

That those who are lonely, depressed or abandoned may experience the love of God through the friendship of His people.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

That those who are searching for meaning and direction in life may find their purpose in Jesus, Who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

That we, like Stephen, may be faithful in our profession of Christ and willing to forgive others as we have been forgiven.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

That those who provide care in hospitals or nursing homes may see Christ in the people they serve.

Lord in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, You have called us to be a Kingdom of priests in service to Your Kingdom. Hear our prayer and give us the grace to worship You by serving others. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.