

## Year A – Proper 5

Brothers and sisters, through Jesus we have access to God by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, let us bring our needs and those of the whole world before the God and Father of us all.

That our Patriarch, all Bishops and Clergy may walk in the wisdom, favor and anointing of the Holy Spirit and so lead God's people to their eternal home.

**Lord in Your mercy,                    Hear our prayer.**

That the Church may zealously obey the commission to go and make disciples of all nations.

**Lord in Your mercy,                    Hear our prayer.**

That righteous men and women may be raised up into positions of leadership at every level in society.

**Lord in Your mercy,                    Hear our prayer.**

That those who defend us at home and abroad may be granted the wisdom, courage, compassion and protection by God's grace.

**Lord in Your mercy,                    Hear our prayer.**

That those whom we love and are praying for, especially our children, may like Matthew, hear the call of Jesus and follow Him.

**Lord in Your mercy,                    Hear our prayer.**

That our schools may be centers for sound learning, teaching Jesus as the source of all truth.

**Lord in Your mercy,                    Hear our prayer.**

Father in heaven, You Word says; that if we have all knowledge and all faith but have not love we gain nothing. Therefore, hear our prayer and give us the grace to love one another and so prove to be Your disciples. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**