

## **Prayer of the Faithful Pentecost 27/28 May 2023**

1. We pray for all leaders and members of the Church, that they may be empowered by the Spirit to continue the mission of Jesus in the world today.  
*(Pause for silent prayer)* Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for this country, the Land of the Holy Spirit. Guided by the Spirit, may all Australians work together to build a society based on mercy, justice and peace.  
*(Pause for silent prayer)* Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for the First Nations Peoples of Australia, that National Reconciliation Week will encourage all Australians to be a voice for reconciliation in tangible ways in our everyday lives.  
*(Pause for silent prayer)* Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for chaplains in hospitals, schools and community associations, that their ministry of faith, mercy and love will be blessed and fruitful.  
*(Pause for silent prayer)* Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for minority groups driven to anti-social violence by resentment and mistrust, that they will be drawn to healthy participation in the life of the community. *(Pause for silent prayer)* Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for those who were recently baptised, received into the Church or completed their initiation, that they will continue to grow in love of God and neighbour.  
*(Pause for silent prayer)* Lord, hear us.