

PRIEST: On this holy night, when Jesus Christ rose from the dead and restored our life of grace, we turn to God our Father in prayer asking for all our needs:

READER: **For all who believe in the Resurrection,
that through our sharing in the life of the Risen Lord,
this Easter may mark for us a new beginning in our life of faith.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For peace in our world, that the peace promised by the Lord
will become a reality for all people.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all those baptised
or received into full communion with the Church tonight,
that they may continue to grow in faith & love of God.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **That the people of every nation may come to share the joy of this night,
and that the Good News of the death and Resurrection of Christ
may gladden the hearts of all.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For our own parish community
and for all who celebrate the Eucharist this night
that, rejoicing in the new life of the Resurrection,
we may always bear witness to God's saving love.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

READER: **For all who have died: that they may now see the face of Christ
and be one with him for all eternity.**

(pause)

Lord in your mercy

PRIEST: God our Father,
as we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ your Son
we ask you to strengthen us in faith
that we may proclaim the pardon and peace you have given us.
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ
who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen