

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 all whose lifelong vigil for the Lord has ended  
and who now sleep in death, that they may live forever in Christ  
who has destroyed the power of death  
and opened the gates of heaven to all.**  
*(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