

## Intercessions and Blessing for the Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6, 2025

## **General Intercessions**

For families who suffer due to illness, poverty, violence, mental health challenges or other hardships, that they may find peace in Christ the Healer and support in our parish community. Let us pray to the Lord.

For all couples struggling in their marriages, may they entrust themselves and their family to the loving hands of God, the Creator and source of Love. Let us pray to the Lord.

For all those suffering from troubled or broken marriages, including children, that they will be assured of God the Father's unfailing tenderness toward them. Let us pray to the Lord.

## **Prayer for Families**

After reciting the Prayer after Communion, invite everyone to stand and offer the following prayer together:

We bless your name, O Lord, for sending your own incarnate Son, to become part of a family, so that, as he lived its life, he would experience its worries and its joys. We ask you, Lord, to protect and watch over these families, so that in the strength of your grace their members may enjoy prosperity, possess the priceless gift of your peace, and, as the Church alive in the home, bear witness in this world to your glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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