**Easter Sunday 17th April 2022**

**Celebrant:**

**Jesus our Saviour has Risen from the dead! May we all rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ, as we echo the triumphant ‘Alleluia’, and raise our prayers to Him.**

* + 1. We pray that our encounter with the Risen Christ This Easter fills our hearts with Hope, Faith and Love so that we let the Gospel come alive and know that God is real.

		 Lord in Your mercy. R: Hear our Prayer
		2. We pray that the Reconciling and Healing Love of our Risen Lord help those hurt and angry while following the pandemic rules and restrictions, especially those who could not be with their loved ones as they suffered and died alone during this time. May He heal the hurts and stresses they live with daily.

		Lord in Your mercy. R: Hear our Prayer
		3. We pray that the Risen Christ influences the world leaders to build a fair and just world, ending all wars, as nothing is impossible for God.

		Lord in Your mercy. R: Hear our Prayer.
		4. Let us pray that Pope Francis' call for an **Easter Truce** in the Ukraine /Russian war, between the 17-24th April, is upheld, so both sides back down and stop fighting.

		Lord in Your mercy. R: Hear our Prayer
		5. Let us pray in silence for our own intentions (*pause briefly*)

		Lord in Your mercy. R: Hear our Prayer.

We pray to Mary our Mother to join us in our petitions as we say ‘HAIL MARY….

**Celebrant:**

**We pray that the Risen Christ has come to us afresh this Easter Day bringing His Peace, Joy and Healing Love into our lives this day and forever more. We ask you this through Christ Jesus Our Lord.**

**R: Amen**