Bidding Prayers 16th Sunday in Ordinary time ; 16th/17thth July 2022

Celebrant

As members of the Body of Christ, we are called

to love and serve one another, so let us turn to the Father

with our prayers for ourselves and for our world:

1 . For Pope Francis and Bishop Paul that, inspired by the Spirit,

they may be wise pastors and leaders of God’s people

Lord in Your mercy R; Hear our Prayer.

2 We pray for all politicians, that they realise their duty is to serve God and care for all people.

Lord in Your mercy R; Hear our Prayer.

3 We pray for all members , past and present, of the Scout Group. We give thanks for the example of service shown by the Scout leaders

Lord in Your mercy R; Hear our Prayer.

4. For those whose lives are filled with distraction and fears,

that their anxieties may be calmed and they may be able to

rest in the stillness of God’s presence

Lord in Your mercy R; Hear our Prayer.

5 For all who are sick in body, mind or spirit,

that they may know the peace and comfort of Christ’s love

Lord in Your mercy R; Hear our Prayer.

6 For our own parish community, that we will always offer

a warm welcome to the stranger in our midst.

Lord in Your mercy R; Hear our Prayer.

We ask for the prayers of Mary as we say: Hail Mary…

Celebrant: Lord, with Abraham and Sarah we open wide our hearts to serve you;

with Mary of Bethany we open wide our ears to hear your word;

with Martha we open wide our hands to do your work.

May our prayers today centre our lives on your Son, Jesus Christ,

who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen

Amen