Universal Prayer 5th Sunday of Easter May 10

We pray for the Church: that we may live as God's chosen people and follow Christ who is our Way, our Truth and our Life.

We pray for all who work in healthcare: that God will give wisdom to those working to contain the virus, insight to those searching for treatments or a vaccine, and strength to those caring for the sick.

We pray for Bishop-Elect Michael McGovern: that the Spirit of the Lord may be upon him and give him both courage and strength as he prepares to be ordained the ninth bishop of the Diocese of Belleville.

We pray for all mothers living and deceased; for expecting mothers, especially those in domestic crisis; and for mothers grieving the loss of a child. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may these special women be guided and affirmed in their vocation.

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We pray for mothers experiencing fertility complications: that they will look faithfully to Christ for trust and patience during their time of frustration.

We pray for all who serve the poor, widows, orphans and the forgotten of society: that God will renew their hearts and strengthen their spirits to continue to reach out to those in need.

We pray for the intentions of those watching this broadcast. At this time, we will pause for a moment as you voice your intentions in your home, or type them in the comments field to share with your community.

We pray for our faithful departed ones: that Jesus, who has prepared a place for each of them in the Father's house, may now welcome them home into heavenly joy, especially Ed Bugger.