On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray to our risen Christ. The bidding will be 'Lord, in your mercy', and the response: hear our prayer.

Saviour of the world,
be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain,
and bring hope even in the darkest night.
Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord of the Church,
empower by your Spirit all Christian people,
especially those in leadership.
We pray for our Bishop, our Diocesan officers, our priest, and all those who are tasked with difficult decisions in this time.
We pray for the work of your Church in every land.
Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully in word and deed.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls,
guide and enable all who lead and serve this community,
and those on whom we depend for our daily needs.
Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Great Physician,
stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace
to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our prayer list.
Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing love.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Conqueror of death,
remember for good those whom we love but see no longer.
Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope of your eternal victory.
We pray that in the undying love of Christ,
we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ:
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead,
to the mercy and protection of God. Amen.