



**07 MAY 2023**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



### **INTRODUCTION:**

The early Church felt the need of appointing men filled with the Holy Spirit and wisdom, to assist the Apostles. Thanks to the questions of Thomas and Philip, we know that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life; and also that Jesus and the Father are one. May we grow in our understanding of who Jesus is.

### **READINGS:**

**First Reading:** Acts 6: 1-7  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19  
**Second Reading:** 1Pt: 2: 4 - 9  
**Gospel:** Jn 14: 1-12

### **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

#### **CELEBRANT:**

We bring all our prayers to our heavenly Father and ask Him to bless them, through his Son Jesus, as we pray:

#### **RESPONSE: FATHER HEAR OUR PRAYER**

For Pope Francis, Bishops, clergy and religious: that they may never become tired of bringing all the faithful, to a deeper understanding of Jesus and his teaching, we pray. **R/**

For all our Lay Ordained Deacons of the Archdiocese of Bombay: that they may grow in the gift of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, like in the early Church, we pray. **R/**

For the progress of the Synod on Synodality: that all our parishes especially in Mumbai, may experience the fruits of participation, communion and mission, we pray. **R/**

For our parish community: that each one of us may never be troubled about our future, but learn to trust in Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life, we pray. **R/**

For our personal needs and intentions [pause] we pray. **R/**

**CELEBRANT:** God our loving Father, we believe that you sent Your Son Jesus, to prepare an eternal home for us in Heaven. Help us to live worthy lives on earth, so that finally we may reach the true home, you prepare for us. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. AMEN