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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - C



### **Introduction:**

On this Fifth Sunday of Lent, we reflect on God's promise of renewal and transformation, made complete by Jesus who reflects God's merciful face. Let us open our hearts to His grace, seeking forgiveness and preparing for the joy of Easter.

### **Readings:**

**First Reading:** Is 43: 16-21  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 126: 1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6  
**Second Reading:** Phil 3: 8-14  
**Gospel Reading:** Jn 8: 1-11

### **Prayers of the Faithful:**

**Celebrant:** The Lord works great deeds for us and gladdens our hearts. We bring our prayers to him with faith.

**Our response is: O LORD HEAR US WE PRAY**

That the Holy Father, the Bishops, Priests, Religious and the lay faithful may always proclaim the life-giving message of the Gospel in their words and actions .... we pray...

That our government and its leaders may be blessed with the strength and wisdom to plan and prepare programmes for the benefit of all, irrespective of gender, creed, financial status and religious orientation... we pray...

That each one of us may set aside our prejudices and destructive opinions against others and collaborate with all to make ways of truth in the wilderness of dishonesty and rivers of love in the desert of hatred... we pray...

That our children and youth be inspired by the leadership of Jesus who came to bring healing to the least, the last and the lost... we pray....

That our Catechumens may recognise Jesus as their Lord and Saviour as they seek to discover their precious identity as his disciples... we pray...

That God may always be generous in His mercy and love as He listens to the prayers we make with faith... (pause for 7 seconds) .... we pray...

### **Celebrant:**

Abba Father, we thank You for the gift of Jesus who came to heal and not condemn us and for listening to the prayers we have made with faith through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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