



**22 March 2026**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent - A**



**INTRODUCTION:**

As we gather to celebrate this Eucharist, God's word reminds us that He is the Lord of life and hope. May Christ raise us from our tombs of sin, strengthen our faith, and fill us with the life-giving Spirit.

**READINGS:**

**First Reading:** Ezekiel 37:12-14

**Res. Psalm:** Ps. 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a 7b-8

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:8-11

**Gospel:** John 11:1- 45

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** Trusting in our God who brings life where there is death, we present our prayers for the Church and the world.

Our response is: **HEAR OUR PRAYER LORD**

- For the Holy Father, Bishops, Clergy, Religious and the Lay Faithful, that we may proclaim Christ as the resurrection and the life, bringing hope and faith to all who struggle with despair and suffering. We pray to the Lord.
- For world leaders, that they may promote peace, justice, and respect for human dignity, working together to overcome conflict and build harmony among nations. We pray to the Lord.
- For our parish community, that this Lenten journey may renew our faith, deepen our prayer, and lead us toward reconciliation, compassion, and new life. We pray to the Lord.
- For those who are sick, grieving, or discouraged, that the Lord who raised Lazarus may strengthen their faith and fill their hearts with hope. We pray to the Lord.
- For all who have died, that the God of life may welcome them into His eternal kingdom and comfort those who mourn their loss. We pray to the Lord.
- For our personal needs and intentions, that God may be generous in His provision for us... *(pause for 7 seconds)* ... We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Heavenly Father, you are the source of life and hope. Hear these prayers we offer with trust and grant them according to your loving will. Amen.