

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, we pray that we who have celebrated the solemnities of the Lord's resurrection, may bring forth its fruits in our life and conversation; through the same, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

ON THE GOSPEL READING

Risen Lord and Savior, make known your presence among us always, that no fear of the world may lock us behind closed doors. And send us, as the Father sent you, empowered with the Holy Spirit, to absolve the penitent and call to repentance the impenitent. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Look in mercy upon your church, O Lord, which you have bought with a great price. Keep us from giving offense to the Gospel and bind us together in the unity of the Spirit. Grant that our children, baptized in your name, may live daily the promise of Baptism. And to all who commune with you, at your table, grant forgiveness, peace, and life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Lord God, heavenly Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification. Regenerate in us newness of life by your Holy Spirit, that through the power of his resurrection, we may dwell with Christ forever. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR PARDON

Merciful God, hear the supplications of those who call upon you for pardon, and spare all who confess their sins, bestowing upon them both pardon and peace through Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR SPRING AND PLANTING

We give thanks, O Lord, for spring, for seed and soil, for sunshine and showers, for farms and farmers, and above all, for the miracle of your hand providing life and growth. Help us all to be good caretakers of the earth and faithful stewards of your bounty. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION

O Lord, comforter of the sorrowing and strength of the weak, hear our prayers for all who suffer illness and distress that, whatever their needs, they may receive and know your help and comfort. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us to keep your Word in pure hearts, so we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. **Amen.**
