**Prayers of the Faithful for Racial Justice Sunday**

**Celebrant:** We come before the Lord thankful for all that He has done and continues to do in our lives. Knowing that He always listens to our prayers we bring before Him all our intentions.

**Reader:** We pray for the leaders of our Church: Pope Francis, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, our Bishop N and all our Bishops and Priests.

**Celebrant:** Lord in your mercy.

**Reader:** We pray for all members of the Travelling Communities. We pray that they will treasure peace and renew their commitment to serve you faithfully.

**Celebrant:** Lord in your mercy.

**Reader:** We remember those who are in need of our help: refugees, migrants, the sick, those who are suffering from addictions of any sort. We ask you Lord to give them strength and to reveal to them your love.

**Celebrant:** Lord in your mercy.

**Reader:** We remember all our brothers and sisters around the world who are Irish Travellers, Gypsies, Roma and Sinti. We ask you Lord to open the minds and hearts of those who show prejudice against them and we pray that we will not show prejudice against others.

**Celebrant:** Lord in your mercy.

**Reader:** We pray for all of those who have been victims of violence. We pray especially for families who have had to deal with the heart break of losing loved ones because of anger and hate.

**Celebrant:** Lord in your mercy.

**Reader:** We pray for our loved ones who have died. We ask you Lord to bless those who have played a part in passing on our faith to us. May they receive their eternal reward with you in Heaven.

**Celebrant:** Lord in your mercy.

**Reader:** Trusting in God, we ask for the prayers of our Blessed Mother Mary as we say: Hail Mary……

**Celebrant:** God our Father, we ask you to transform us in your image and help us to become the people you have called us to be. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.