PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, YEAR C
PALM SUNDAY 14 APRIL 2019

P Our great high priest, Jesus Christ, has entered into God's presence by the means of His own blood. Let us pray in His name for the whole people of God and for all people according to their needs.

Each petition will conclude: For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Congregation response: **who gave His life for us.**

Petitions

* Lord Jesus; this coming Holy Week we especially see you walk the way of the cross and we give thanks for your sacrifice for us. Please especially be with all those who will worship this week here at Holy Trinity and in all places throughout the world where your gospel is proclaimed.
For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave His life for us.

* Lord Jesus; your work of saving us by dying on the cross is precious to us. We want everyone to believe in you. Please make us bold witnesses to your cross even though we may be doing it in a hostile environment.
For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave His life for us.

* Lord Jesus; we pray for our world. May people everywhere receive you and your salvation. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, lead all people to want to obey and serve you.
For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave His life for us.

* Lord Jesus; we know you suffered horribly in body, mind and spirit for our sakes. Please comfort and strengthen all who are in distress, sick or dying as they remember and meditate on what you have done for them through your suffering.
For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave His life for us.

* Lord Jesus; we know that in some places, this season is a traditional one for first communion or confirmation. We ask you to make these commitments real for these people. Help them to stay close to you all their lives. We ask you to strengthen the faith of all Christians, that they may follow the way of the cross and remain faithful to you even in time of trial.
For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave His life for us.

Concluding Prayer

P Father, your Son Jesus humbled Himself and became obedient even to the point of death. May we find salvation in His obedient love, walk the way of the cross with Him, and come with Him to the resurrection. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.