

## CHAPTER 5 PRAYER SERVICE

**All:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Reader:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**Reader:** Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Leader:** On the Cross, Jesus entrusted his mother Mary and his disciple John to each other. In this moment, he gave Mary to us to be our mother. Let us now entrust Mary with our prayers and petitions, and ask her to bring them to her son, our Lord.

**Reader:** That war and violence would cease in our city, nation, and world.

**All:** Queen of Peace, pray for us.

**Reader:** That people in positions of power would make decisions that benefit the common good.

**All:** Our Lady, Seat of Wisdom, pray for us.

**Reader:** That all who are sick or who carry heavy burdens would find healing and rest.

**All:** Comfort of the Afflicted, pray for us.

**Reader:** That suffering and strife would come to an end in the lives of our loved ones.

**All:** Our Lady, Undoer of Knots, pray for us.

**Reader:** That we would know and love your son Jesus more and more each day.

**All:** Mother of God, pray for us.

**Leader:** Let us pray.

**All:** Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.  
The Son you merited to bear, alleluia.  
Has risen as he said, alleluia.  
Pray to God for us, alleluia.  
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray:  
O God, who through the Resurrection  
of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
did vouchsafe to give joy to the world;  
grant, we beseech you, that through  
his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may  
obtain the joys of everlasting life.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

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