

Sunday 17 March 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 50(51):3-4,12-15

A PURE HEART CREATE FOR ME, O GOD.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin.

*If God is kind and compassionate towards me, pray to be kind and compassionate towards others
I have faith that God cleanses me from sin. Pray for people who cannot forgive themselves or find peace*

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

*Pray to be able to focus on God alone in this Lenten time, to lay aside all distractions however good they are
Knowing God's closeness to us in Word and Sacrament, pray for all who are struggling to find faith in God*

Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you.

*Pray for renewed joy and fervour in your faith so that we can indeed be an Easter people
Ask God to help you see what you need to change in your life, and how you can bring others closer to the Lord*