Bidding Prayers for Palm Sunday

Celebrant:

The Son of God was obedient to the father even to the point of death. In humble obedience to our baptismal call we pray for the needs of the world.

Reader:

For the suffering Body of Christ throughout the world today - that those afflicted by torture, betrayal and abandonment may be supported by our prayers. Lord in your mercy

For those in our world who are starving or oppressed - that leaders and Governments will do all they can to bring about a more just sharing of the world's resources. Lord in your mercy

For those who have to flee from their homelands because of violence or war - that they will be welcomed with humanity and dignity by those willing to offer hospitality. Lord in your mercy

For those suffering in body, mind or spirit, especially those with dementia, their families and carers - that they will receive the love and support they need at this time and will respond to Jesus' call to make their home in him. Lord in your mercy

For those who have died, all victims of violence, accident, natural disaster and the COVID pandemic, and Amelia Cox and Ethel Lancashire whose anniversaries occur this week - that they and all who have died may rest in peace and rise in glory. Lord in your mercy

Either aloud or in silence we pray for our own special intentions...pause...then Lord in your mercy

We ask the prayers of Mary who stood at the foot of the cross, as we say, Hail Mary...

Celebrant:

All loving God, today we commemorate the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and his way of the cross to Calvary. May we see in his carrying of the cross our road to salvation, that choosing to offer ourselves for others we may grow more deeply in his likeness, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.