



## *Reston Parish Church*

# A Service at Home for Lent

*This service sheet accompanies the short filmed service on YouTube, and the Collects and Bible readings are on separate sheets – all available to be emailed to you*

### Greeting

We meet in the presence of God

**who knows our needs, hears our cries, feels our pain,  
and heals our wounds.**

### Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,**

**to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:**

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Call to Confession

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.  
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,  
and acknowledge our sins in penitence and faith.

**Lord God, we have sinned against you;  
we have done wrong in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.  
Have mercy on us according to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.  
Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution:

May God, who loved the world so much,  
that the Son Jesus Christ was sent to be our Saviour:  
Forgive and heal you, and open your eyes to God's truth,  
that you may be holy and righteous in God's sight.

**Amen.**

The Collect and Gospel Reading

A Reflection

The Creed

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us with power from on high.  
We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

An Invitation to Intercessory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

The Blessing

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ,  
keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit  
be among you and remain with you, and those your love,  
now and always. **Amen.**