Ascension of the Lord (B)   GENERAL INTERCESSIONS
May 20, 2012

Presider:  Let us pray with a sense of awe and wonder /
at the great hope God has revealed to us
through the ascension of His Son, Jesus Christ

1. For the church, for our Holy Father, Benedict, / and for all pastors and prophets, / apostles and teachers, / evangelists and ministers: / May Christ’s body of witnesses on earth / proclaim the Kingdom of God through lives of faith, humility, and service to all humanity,

   + WE PRAY TO THE LORD.

2. For our world, for people of every race, religion, and culture: / May those who have suffered insult and injustice at the hands of others / put aside hatred and resentment / and persevere with patience and peaceful hearts,

   + WE PRAY TO THE LORD

3. For those who face the future with apprehension and uncertainty: May they be granted peace and hope that will enlighten their path and give them peace

   + WE PRAY TO THE LORD

4. For victims of violent crimes: May we reach out to them and embrace them in their pain and be with them in their healing and work together to end all forms of violence,

   + WE PRAY TO THE LORD.

5. For all who are not free, particularly those struggling with addictions: May they experience God’s love shown forth in Christ’s victory and may this bring hope and courage to them,

   + WE PRAY TO THE LORD
6. For the sick, all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit: / May our merciful God bring them to healing and wholeness. We pray for those named in the Book of the Sick, and:
Emily Morales       Nain Carlos Delgado       Francisco Fernandez
Gloria Jebia         Gloria Ayala

+ WE PRAY TO THE LORD.

7. For all who have been taken from our sight by death: / May they live with Christ in glory at the right hand of the Father for all eternity. We commend to you today:
Brandi Todd

+ WE PRAY TO THE LORD.

Presider: God of glory,
keep us in the spirit of amazement and wonder
at your mighty power and love.
Keep us looking for your presence in the world —
in the comings and goings of our daily lives,
in our plans and in our dreams.
We ask these and all things /
one with you and the Holy Spirit,
God forever and ever. Amen