Prayer of the Faithful

At the conclusion of the Creed, which we recite together, the six people come forward to the entrance of the sanctuary, bow at the waist (not too deep) to the altar, and then go to the left-hand side, the first person goes up the side steps to the ambo.

The priest is introducing the Prayer of the Faithful at the other side of the sanctuary at this point, so when he's done, the six people read the "intentions"

... we pray that the Lord will preserve us, we trust in him and direct our prayers to him.

- For the local church of Cork and Ross, that all her members may reflect, pray and contribute to our discussions in this time of change. [*pause for 5 seconds*] Lord, hear us.
- 2. For those who will be on our ballot cards, and all those who will vote, that they will have at the foremost of their minds both the common good and care for the weak and marginalised. [*pause for 5 seconds*] Lord, hear us.
- For our parish community, that we may welcome and support these young disciples of Christ with open arms and encouraging words.
 [pause for 5 seconds] Lord, hear us.
- 4. For our teachers who have taught us in religions class, that their efforts and kindness may be rewarded. [*pause for 5 seconds*] Lord, hear us.
- 5. For our parents and godparents, that they may continue to nurture the gift of faith. [*pause for 5 seconds*] Lord, hear us.
- For young people who have already made their First Holy Communion, that they may continue to grow closer to the Lord Jesus. [*pause for 5 seconds*] Lord, hear us.

At the conclusion of the six intentions, please wait for the priest to conclude, mentioning the deceased, and finishing up with a prayer: ...*through Christ our Lord. Amen*.

Then you may line up in front of the altar again, bow gently (at the waist), and then return to your places.