

**Prayer of the Faithful
January 29 – 30, 2022
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Presider: Ever striving eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts, we present our prayers and petitions.

Lector:

For all of God's creation, may we be creatures who love and protect our planet, its inhabitants, and those yet to be born, we pray...

For the church, may we recognize and listen to the prophets among us, we pray...

For leaders and peoples of developed countries, may they not simply seek their own interests, but the interests of those countries throughout the world requiring economic and other forms of aid, we pray...

For our country, as we enter Black History Month, may it help raise our awareness of the ongoing need to protect civil rights and address issues of prejudice, racism, white supremacy and privilege in both its obvious and disguised forms, we pray...

As we begin Catholic Schools Week, we ask that the qualities of this year's theme, "Faith, Excellence, Service," may become a part of the lives of all their students, we pray...

For our St. Ignatius parish community, may we ever strive for the higher gifts, finding common ground in our mutual commitment to self-sacrificing love, we pray...

For our catechumens and candidates, may they grow in a faith that expresses itself in deeds of loving service within and beyond the community, we pray...

For those in our community who have been recommended to us for prayer, among them those suffering from Covid19, may God's healing love comfort them, we pray...

For our beloved dead, among them John Sweny, Jr. and Kathryn Sweny, Maria Mai Thi Nguyen and Maria Hoa Hoang, Adelaide Lutestanski, Anthony Simboli, Charles H. McCarthy, Anne Marie Leary, John F. Hallisey, and Walter Connor, may they know God fully and see God face to face, we pray...

Presider: God of love, fill us with your grace so that we may show forth in word and deed all the different aspects and qualities of love in and through Christ our Lord. AMEN.