Prayer

Presider: With hearts desiring to love more fully as Christ commands, we give voice to our prayers and petitions.

Lector:
For the Church, as we enter National Vocations Awareness Week, may we work together to foster vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For an end to bigotry, bullying, hatred, violence, racism and Anti-Semitism in our world, may these be replaced by Gospel values, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For our country’s elected and political leaders, may all their decisions and policies reflect what it means to love your neighbor as yourself, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For our nation as we approach election day, may the electorate discern and decide to vote for the politicians and propositions that respect equal rights, civil rights and human dignity of all persons from womb to tomb, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For our Jewish brothers and sisters and all those who experience the bitter pain of suffering and loss inflicted on them because of gun violence and hate crimes, may our prayers and charity help them to know of God’s comfort and consolation, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For the Central-American refugees and for all those who seek asylum, may we come to speak about them and treat them according to Christ’s commandment of love, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For our parishioners on retreat this weekend, may their prayers help to strengthen our parish and may they return spiritually renewed and refreshed, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For all our beloved dead, among them, Isidro Mejia, Dr. Robert O. Blackburn, Michael Tremblay, Mary & George Andreas, Frances Cashman, Pauline Higgins, Patricia Mulrey, & Marc Callanan, and Daniel McLaughlin. We also remember the victims of the shootings at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, the shootings in Louisville, Kentucky, those who perished in the airplane crash in Thailand and all those inscribed in our parish Book of Life, may they be welcomed into God’s heavenly kingdom, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

Presider: Almighty and ever-living God, hear our prayers and help us above all to love you with all our heart, our soul and our strength in an through Christ our Lord. AMEN.