Prayers of the Faithful
2nd Sunday of Advent
December 8 – 9, 2018

Priest: We turn to our generous God of light, asking that our prayers always be enlightened and offered with love.

Lector:
For the Church, may God’s mercy and justice accompany and transform us as we repent for the forgiveness of sins, particularly at this time those sins of clericalism, abuse and coverups, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For world leaders, may they become stronger advocates for the care of our planet, for economic justice, and for true peace among nations, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For the success of the UN Climate talks in Poland, that nations, including our own, may work with each other to take the necessary steps to help ensure the environmental safety of our planet, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

As we celebrate the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe this Wednesday, let us remember the people of Mexico and the refugees that have joined them from parts south, may we be inspired by Our Blessed Mother’s message to St. Juan Diego to act in ways that embrace the poor, those who seek asylum and those in need, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For our catechumens and candidates, that God who has begun this good work in them may bring it to fulfillment, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For our St. Ignatius parish community, may we journey together to help make our rough ways smooth and our winding roads straight, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

For all our beloved dead, among them Martin M. Green, Antonio J. Vitug, Howard Sullivan, and Patricia Leahy, may Christ lead them with joy in the light of God’s glory, we pray…Lord hear our prayer.

Priest: Generous God of light, make our love increase in knowledge and every kind of perception to discern what is of value so the we may be pure and blameless filled with the righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN