

**Prayers of the Faithful**  
**Seventh Sunday**  
**February 22 -23, 2020**

**Presider:** The Lord is kind and merciful so with confidence we present our needs and petitions.

**Lector:**

For the Church, may we never waver in teaching non-violent resistance, living always with love for our enemies and praying for those who persecute us, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For world leaders, may they learn how to take no revenge and cherish no grudge, but rather love their neighbors as themselves so war will be in all places and times replaced with peace, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For our nation, may all divisions cease so that we may enjoy a real freedom from sexism, racism, homophobia, transphobia, anti-Semitism and all forms of religious and other hatreds and prejudices, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For refugees and immigrants, may they experience welcome and safety in our country, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For our planet, that during the Lenten Season ahead, we may grow as better stewards of God's creation, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For the success of the Archdiocesan second collection today for the support of the Church throughout the world, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For our parish community, may we come to know the deeper meaning of Jesus's call to us to be perfect, just as our heavenly Father is perfect, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For those who have need of our prayers that we call to mind now [**Pause**], may they find comfort and consolation, healing and strength in and through our prayers and support, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

For those who have died, among them William Buccella, John Scott, Christine McDonald, Helena Lee, Carmella Tobin, James & Catherine Solano, Joseph Solano, John Bohling, Lucrecia Aguilar, Leo Power, and Josephine Capobianco, may they experience the love of God truly perfected in them, we pray...**Lord, hear our Prayer.**

**Presider:** God of kindness and mercy, in the face of evil, suffering, hatred and sin, may we always be instruments of your love and compassion in and through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**