

Prayers of the Faithful
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 8, 2019

Presider: Trusting in the gracious care of our God, who prospers the work of our hands, we present our needs and petitions.

Lector:

For the church that we may faithfully pass on the wisdom of the ages and fearlessly welcome new insights into the mystery of God's will, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For leaders of nations that they allow holy wisdom to teach them the ways of peace, justice, and the need to care for our global environment and the entire web of life, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our country that we may once again lead by example in protecting endangered species and all of nature by passing environmental laws and regulations that show care for the air we breathe and the water we drink, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our St. Ignatius parish community that our collective and individual prayers during this year's Season of Creation may help to raise awareness in us and the entire global Christian family about the urgency to address the ecological crisis that Pope Francis highlighted in his encyclical, *Laudato Si, On the Care of our Common Home*, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have been recommended to us for prayer, among them those affected by Hurricane Dorian and those we call to mind now [pause]. May they find strength in the support of fellow disciples, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all of our beloved dead, among them Susan Mooney, John J. Vranich, Michael Genereux, Francis Sullivan, Katina Kyrios, Angela Suarez De Mejia, Alexia Shields, and those who lost their lives because of gun violence, Hurricane Dorian and other nature disasters, may they be gathered with all Christ's disciples into God's everlasting kingdom, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: God of all creation, hear our prayers and give us the grace to carry our cross each day so that we may grow into good and worthy stewards of the Earth and all its creatures. We ask this in Jesus's name who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God forever and ever. **Amen.**