

Prayers of the Faithful
December 31 (Vigil) & January 1, 2020
Mary, Mother of God and the Holy Name of Jesus

Presider: Knowing that our God always desires to bless us and keep us, we offer our petitionary prayers.

Lector:

For the church, may we, like Mary, treasure, God's words and deeds drawing wisdom from them to help us, as Pope Francis tells us, not to fear change, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For leaders of all nations, may they dedicate this New Year to a more intensive search for justice and lasting peace, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all peoples of the earth, may we dedicate ourselves in the New Year to caring more deeply for all of God's beautiful creation, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

In the year ahead may the unemployed obtain meaningful work for a just wage, the homeless receive adequate shelter, refugees and immigrants receive our nation's welcome, and the poor, needy and marginalized find compassionate mercy and true justice, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For God's blessings on our St. Ignatius Parish Community, may we dedicate ourselves more fully in this new year to providing time, talent or treasure to build up our parish family, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the sick and those who have asked for our prayers, may they be comforted in knowing that God, our Emmanuel, is with them...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all our beloved dead, may they come safely to the peace of our heavenly home...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: God of Mercy, look kindly on our prayers and answer them according to what would be for your greater glory in Jesus's holy name. **Amen.**