

**Intercessions**  
**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 29, 2021**

**Cantor: O Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For the church: that its actions may demonstrate the primacy of love and compassion over rules, laws and self-protection, especially in this time of turmoil. *We pray,*
- For all whose work is to create laws and policies that are just, humane, and promote the dignity of all people, including those deemed socially unacceptable. *We pray,*
- For those in the difficult work of law enforcement; those treated unjustly by law enforcement; and those seeking to reform this institution. *We pray,*
- For those who are responsible for upholding the rights of people seeking sanctuary at our borders; for all refugees, especially those fleeing Afghanistan; and for an appreciation of immigrants in our national story. *We pray,*
- For those struggling with our involvement in the dangerous situation in Afghanistan; for the people of that country; and for a serious national review of America's role in war and the military-industrial effort. *We pray,*
- For those among us who are sick, dying, grieving, or in any kind of need; and for those we continue to serve after 115 years in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own concerns and for hearts that are open to God's word to each of us (*pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*

