Intercessions 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 12, 2021

Cantor: O Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the church: that all its words and actions may be those of a people carrying the cross of a suffering Christ. *We pray*,
- For our nation's ability to respond with adequate deeds to those suffering from Covid, from storm damage, from our military actions, from struggles with abortion, from economic devastation. *We pray*,
- For those of us who are well-off—who are likely considered white-privileged: that we may struggle with the question of what the Gospel means for us. *We pray*,
- For our nation, as we struggle with truth-telling and understanding who we really are; for humility and the ability to work together across our differences to define our values and our identity. *We pray*,
- For our Jewish brothers and sisters as they this week celebrate Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. *We pray*,
- For all among us living in the shadow of the cross; for all those for whom life is difficult—in this parish and in all those places we serve through our ministries. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns and for the will to express our faith through work on behalf of others (*Pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*