Intercessions First Sunday of Advent—November 28, 2021

Cantor: O Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the church: that we may bring courage to all who are in need of encouragement--especially those in need of love, mercy, or justice. *We pray*,
- For the exercise of justice this week in the Arbery trial and the Strickland exhoneration; for the Justice Project and all who strive to promote it in our legal system. *We pray*,
- For the ability to read the true signs of the times in the cacophony of 24/7 media and social media onslaught, conflicting opinions and personal attacks. *We pray*,
- For the motivation to stay alert when we are tired, discouraged, or worn out; and for those forced to be hyperalert out of fear, violence or desperation. *We pray*,
- For all who have lost hope, who have no one to support or encourage them, especially children and the elderly; the poor and forgotten; all those living on the edge. *We pray*,
- For all in this community who are sick, lonely, depressed or in any kind of need; for those feeling overwhelmed by life; and for the commitment to stay focused on our parish ministries during this busy time of year. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own needs and for the grace to promote justice wherever we are (pause). For all these things, we pray,