

Intercessions

Third Sunday of Advent—December 12, 2021

Cantor: O Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the Church--that in this often dark, challenging time, we may show those who have lost a sense of anticipation that God is, indeed, in our midst. *We pray,*
- For the courage to challenge those who believe that building strong families, a just community, or a peaceful world is someone else's responsibility. *We pray,*
- For those who rejoice in greed over generosity, falsehood over truth, violence over peace, pain over healing. *We pray,*
- For the ability to embrace and instill in our children a sense that anything is possible and that we are all called to create a viable future. *We pray,*
- For the ability to live in ambiguity and be at peace with difficult, unanswered questions; for the ability to rejoice, no matter what. *We pray,*
- For all who find this holiday season burdensome or painful; for all among us who are suffering in any way; and for those whose wellbeing we seek to promote through our parish ministries. *We pray,*
- We remember now our own needs, and pray for the grace to be a source of comfort, peace and hope for the world (*pause*).
For all these things, we pray,