

## Intercessions

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 16, 2022

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

- For all members of the church--laity and clergy, women and men: that we may use our Spirit-given gifts on behalf of all people. *We pray,*
- For married people everywhere, especially where poverty or illness, violence or politics have injured relationships; and for legislation that supports the needs of families. *We pray,*
- For those who refuse to remain silent: who through words and actions proclaim peace and justice as God's work. *We pray,*
- For those of us who are unsure of what spiritual gifts we have been given or who lack the courage to exercise them. *We pray,*
- For the honesty to examine our own attitudes and actions toward others, as we are about to celebrate Martin Luther King Day; and for a resolution to voting rights issues and the growth of white supremacy in our country. *We pray,*
- For those among us who are suffering or in any kind of need; and for the growth and success of our ministries, which depend upon the generous use of our unique, but different gifts. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own needs and for the grace to exercise with gratitude the gifts that are ours (*pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*