

Intercessions

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 23, 2022

Cantor: O Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the entire church—that we may embrace and live our Spirit-given identity as equal members of one body. *We pray,*
- For those in the church or in America whose value is diminished by labels or hyphens: conservative or liberal Catholics; Gay-Catholics; Lapsed-Catholics; African, Asian, Hispanic or Illegal Americans. *We pray,*
- For those whose lives are complicated by church or civil law, those who hide behind the law, and those unwilling to consider necessary changes to the law. *We pray,*
- For the Justice Project and all efforts to liberate those falsely accused and punished; and for the will to resist condemning others by our attitudes, speech or actions. *We pray,*
- For all of us who are empowered by the Spirit to bear witness in our lives to truth. *We pray,*
- For this parish community, that we may reflect the unity we are called to as members of Christ's body through our care for one another and our ministry to others. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own needs and for the grace to live the law of love that Jesus embodied (*pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*