Intercessions Third Sunday of Easter—May 1, 2022

Cantor: Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the Church, struggling with issues of life and integrity in its teaching, its care for others and in its own renewal. *We pray*,
- For all believers who tend to the sick and poor, work with refugees and the imprisoned, encourage the distressed and broken-hearted; for all who support others in any way—especially Journey to New Life. *We pray*,
- For peace, especially in this time of mounting international conflict with Russia; and for wisdom and courage among all leaders working for international stability. *We pray*,
- For those willing to challenge systems and behaviors that threaten justice and Democracy in our country. *We pray*,
- For all those who received the Sacraments of Initiation in this community at Easter; those children being baptized and taking the Eucharist today; and for those who will continue to guide them in their faith. *We pray*,
- For all in this community who are suffering or in any kind of need; for those who work tirelessly in service of St. James; and for those we support through our parish ministries in Midtown and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns, and for the grace to bring Christ's presence wherever we may be (pause). For all these things, we pray.