Intercessions Second Sunday of Easter--April 24, 2022

Cantor: Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the church: that it may show the compassionate face of God to all in need of mercy, peace, healing or forgiveness. *We pray*,
- For all who struggle to believe, especially those who have been offended by the Church or by Christians. *We pray*,
- For those who spread the Gospel by their love and compassion for others: for parents, first responders and all who care for anyone in need. *We pray*,
- For peace throughout the world, especially in Ukraine and Afghanistan; and for those who advocate or fight for, negotiate on behalf of, or demonstrate peace. *We pray*,
- For those who profess faith in God by any name—especially our Jewish and Muslim brothers and sisters; and for forgiveness for judging those who appear to lack faith or who express it differently. We pray,
- For all in this community who are suffering or in any kind of need; for those who are receiving sacraments for the first time today; 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 remember that God's mercy is shown through inadequate people like us *(pause)*. For all these things, we pray.