

Intercessions
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 17, 2022

Cantor: Lord, hear our prayer

- For the church--that is called to be a welcoming community, but still has barriers regarding who will be welcomed. *We pray,*
- For the gift of listening in a culture that values extroversion, talking, pontificating, informing and outwitting others; and for those who have never felt heard. *We pray,*
- For those who are refused hospitality: foreigners, those considered dirty or unkempt, the mentally ill, those of different gender identity; for all who are “left out.” *We pray,*
- For individuals, groups and organizations dedicated to welcoming the unwelcomed—especially those that surround us. *We pray,*
- For the welcoming of new ideas, hopes and solutions to the seemingly intractable problems facing our world. *We pray,*
- For those among who are sick, dying, or in any kind of need; for those who may wonder if they are welcome here; and for all those we seek to serve through our ministries in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray,*
- We pray now for own needs and for the ability to open our arms wide to God who appears among us in human disguise (*pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*