Intercessions Fourth Sunday of Advent—December 18, 2022

Cantor: Oyenos, mi Dios....

- For the church: that we may be—at all levels--the open, questioning community that true faith requires. *We pray*,
- For all who aspire to political leadership...that they may be willing to ask challenging questions on behalf of peace, justice, and the future of our planet. *We pray*
- For educational systems, families and nurturing adults that will encourage children and youth to be challenging, questioning thinkers. *We pray*,
- For all who struggle with doubt or confusion in our culture or in our church; and for those who promote disinformation or fear to control others. *We pray*,
- For those whose family of origin is in question; for adoptive and foster families; for foster family programs and single parents; and for all who care for children or families in need. *We pray*,
- For all in our midst who feel vulnerable--especially those dealing with any kind of need or loss; and for those individuals and families we serve through our parish ministries in Midtown and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns; and for faith and hope when our questions overwhelm us *(pause)*. *For all these things, we pray.*