

Intercessions
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 29, 2023

Cantor: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer; God of mercy, hear our prayer.

- For the church: that its poorest side may witness this Gospel calling to its wealthiest side and to the world. *We pray,*
- For the courage to discern whether we give to others from our excess or from our limitations. *We pray,*
- For those embarrassed to be living in pain or poverty; and for those who espouse the “bootstrap theory” for people living on the margins. *We pray,*
- For those of our nation’s lawmakers—most of whom are millionaires—who are proponents of “America First” legislative priorities. *We pray,*
- For the will to insist on and contribute to justice for the poor, the outcast, the alienated and the persecuted. *We pray,*
- For those who feel insignificant or useless; for those among us most in need; and for those we seek to serve in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own needs, and for the grace to live for others, instead of ourselves (*pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*