

Intercessions
Fourth Sunday of Easter—April 30, 2023

Cantor: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer...

- For the church: That we may reject the image of power and embody what it means to be vulnerable for the vulnerable. *We pray,*
- For all those nations on every continent where power-hungry leaders hold their vulnerable citizens hostage. *We pray,*
- For those—especially in the media--who belittle, bully or threaten the weak, the suffering, and those who are different. *We pray,*
- For all who take risks on behalf of others suffering because of war, racism, gender issues, poverty, inadequate education, or any other insult to humanity. *We pray,*
- For individuals and organizations that offer protection and safe haven to the vulnerable; and for the courage to take action where we know it's needed. *We pray,*
- For the sick, the dying and the grieving in our midst; and for the vulnerable people we seek to serve through our ministries in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own needs, and for the courage to live as the Good Shepherd calls us to live—on behalf of others (*pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*