## Intercessions Second Sunday of Easter—April 16, 2023

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

- For the Church: that it may embody the compassionate face of God for all who live in fear or doubt. *We pray*,
- For all who struggle to believe, especially those who have been offended in any way by the Church or by Christians. *We pray*,
- For those who spread the Gospel by their love and compassion for others: for missionaries and preachers, confessors and catechists, and for all of us who care for anyone in need. *We pray*,
- For peace throughout the world—especially in this time of war and unrest; and for those who advocate for, negotiate on behalf of, or demonstrate for peace. *We pray*,
- For those who profess faith in God by any name, especially our Jewish and Muslim brothers and sisters. *We pray*,
- For those in this community who are suffering or struggling in any way; for those who find Easter joy an impossible concept; 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.*