## Intercessions Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 30, 2023

## Cantor: Hear our prayer hear our prayer....

- For the church: That in the midst of life's demands, we may clearly understand, witness to and promote what really matters. *We pray*,
- For those whose only concern is the search for power, personal possessions, or personal freedom....without regard for others; and for leaders who seek wisdom and understanding. *We pray*,
- For the ability to resist the common practice of judging others based on their earning power or economic strength. *We pray*,
- For change in the church's practice of judging the viability of parishes, based on their economic strength; for creative thinking about how to share resources. *We pray*,
- For wisdom in a world where even nations are de-valued based on their economies; for political decisions that award resources to those who most need them. *We pray*,
- For this community in our diversity; for those among us who are sick, dying, grieving or in any kind of need or danger; and for our ongoing work in building God's reign in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own concerns; and for the courage to respond to whatever God asks of us (*Pause*). For all these things, we pray,