

Intercessions
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 17, 2023

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

- For the church, as it both generously grants forgiveness, and also humbly seeks forgiveness for all our sins and shortcomings. *We pray,*
- For all who are unable to forgive, or who perceive forgiveness as weakness; and for those who test our capacity to forgive...whose actions seem unforgiveable. *We pray,*
- For a national movement toward restorative justice that promotes the forgiveness and rehabilitation of those who have seriously offended others. *We pray,*
- For those who are most hurt and vulnerable, especially the unjustly maligned or persecuted, the belittled or betrayed, the abused or forgotten. *We pray,*
- For our Jewish brothers and sisters celebrating the holy days of their tradition; and for the elimination of anti-Semitism. *We pray,*
- For this community and our leaders--especially those among us who are suffering, grieving, or in any kind of need; for any among us who need forgiveness; and for those we are called to serve in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own concerns; and for the ability to be humble, forgiving, compassionate people (*Pause*). *For all these things, we pray,*