

Intercessions
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 1, 2023

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

- For the whole church: That we may be a humble, self-emptying people --aware of our own need for guidance, freedom from judgement, and action. *We pray,*
- For radical openness to others, especially those we have judged to be unworthy. *We pray,*
- For the awareness that we are called to **act** on our beliefs—that professed beliefs are useless unless we act on them. *We pray,*
- For our culture, that is based increasingly on consumerism, individualism, competition and success. *We pray,*
- For a political climate and related rhetoric that dismiss alternate or changing viewpoints, the need for guidance, attention to the common good, or the preservation of democracy. *We pray,*
- For this community, especially those whose needs we do not know; for those who struggle with their own responsiveness to the Gospel; and for the ongoing commitment to those whose needs we serve through our parish ministries. *We pray,*
- We pray now for our own needs and for the courage to explore whether our own actions reflect who we say we are and what we say we believe... *(Pause). For all these things we pray,*