Intercessions 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 22, 2023

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

- For all in the church whose faith is challenged by the expectations of others; and for those whose faith or lives lives are negatively influenced by church rules, laws or policies. *We pray*,
- For those here and throughout the world whose faith is endangered by political systems or cultural practices. *We pray*,
- For those churches or individuals that conflate allegiance to Caesar and to God, endangering both faith and democracy. *We pray*,
- For the courage to challenge rules, laws, or systems that compromise our faith—including regarding the treatment of refugees. *We pray*,
- For those whose religious beliefs infringe upon others or support suppression or violence, especially in the Middle East. For a just and peaceful resolution to the crisis in Israel and Gaza. *We pray*,
- For those among us who are sick, dying, or grieving or in any kind of need; and for all those we are called to serve in this sacred corner of the city and beyond. *We pray*,
- We pray now for our own needs; and for the grace to be both faithful Christians and good citizens of the world (pause). For all these things, we pray,