Intercessions First Sunday of Lent—February 18, 2024

Cantor: Oyenos, mi Dios.

- For the institutional church: that it may model for us the meaning of repentance and radical commitment. *We pray*,
- For those too busy, too frantic to focus on the need for deep commitments and personal change. *We pray*,
- For those whose covenanted relationships are broken or beginning to fray...in marriages, families, friendships or partnerships. *We pray*,
- For those too focused on political gain to govern or collaborate on the resolution of serious national and international issues. *We pray*,
- For the seemingly unsolvable issue of the proliferation of firearms in America--including among minors; and for all those affected by gunfire here on Wednesday. *We pray*,
- For all in this community, especially those of us struggling with commitments or the time to focus on personal change; and for those we have committed to serve through our parish ministries or individual care—wherever they are. *We pray*,
- For our own needs, and for the courage to take even greater risks during this holy season (pause). For all these things, we pray,