

## **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2020**

**Leader:** Let us now offer our prayers and petitions to our Heavenly Father.

**Reader 1:** For the Church: that we may live as children of the light, rejecting the works of darkness and producing every kind of goodness, righteousness, and truth, drawing us into a deeper relationship with God.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 2:** For all who face social, cultural, political or family opposition: that God may strengthen their hearts and help them find loving and supporting communities.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 1:** For reconciliation among communities of faith: that we may each work together to confront evil and violence in the world, find our shared beliefs, and work with each other in this time of crisis.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 2:** For government officials: that God may anoint their minds and hearts so that they may promote the well-being of all whom they serve, particularly the vulnerable and powerless of society and all who suffer from the coronavirus pandemic.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer**

**Reader 1:** For all who have suffered abuse by anyone trusted or in power: that God may heal their wounds and give them strength to carry on.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 2:** For all whose lives are darkened by alcohol, drugs, or any addiction: that the light of the Gospel may shatter their darkness and open a path to a new life.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 1:** For all who are ill, particularly those with the coronavirus: that God may heal them and restore them to their families and communities.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Reader 2:** For all who work in healthcare: that God may grant wisdom to those working to contain the coronavirus, give insight to those searching for treatments or vaccines, and strengthen those caring for the sick and all needing medical care.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Leader:** For our beloved deceased, that they may be brought to the eternal glory of Heaven.

We pray to the Lord. **R/. Lord, hear our prayer.**

## [March 16<sup>th</sup> – March 22<sup>nd</sup> Intentions]

**Leader:**

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Diana Skokan.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Renato Velasquez.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Wang, Yaw-Wen.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Dan Lydon.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Penny Tab.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Chris Kandefer.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Phoc Mac .

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Cuc Nguyen.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Eli Dimacali.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Enrico De Santos.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Patrick Purcell.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Sylvia Heaney.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Gloria Cassidy.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Peter Tu Van Nguyen.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Manuel Padilla.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Ronnie Juarez.

We remember in a special way the repose of the soul of Conrad Castellino.

We remember in a special way the repose of the souls of the victims of the coronavirus.

**All: Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace.**

Leader: We remember especially the Intentions of the People of St. Joseph.

**Leader: Heavenly Father, we give you thanks. May our practice of self-denial reveal in us the presence of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **St. Joseph Parish Prayer**

**Oh Lord, You are the Potter, we are the clay. Design us to reflect Your glory as we rebuild Your church. Fashion our ears to hear new ideas. Shape our hearts to appreciate other's creativity and insight. Form our eyes to see Jesus in each other. Mold our community to be united in our pilgrimage. Help us build a place of refuge, a holy temple, with Jesus as the cornerstone. May we work together with love and care, ever mindful that the spirit, not the structure, is the essence of the design. May we come together as a family of one, to be guided by the Father, Holy Spirit, and Son. Amen.**