

## PRAYERS of the FAITHFUL

**Fifth Sunday of Lent: March 29, 2020**

- ∞ For the Church, called to be a community of solidarity with those who are oppressed – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For leaders of nations, entrusted with the task of building a just world – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For our sisters and brothers in Asia, Africa, and Latin America, as they teach us how we can support their efforts to improve their lives – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For all who have been impacted by COVID-19: for those who have been infected by the virus, for the health care professionals caring for them, and for all who are living in isolation to prevent the further spread of the outbreak – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For government leaders and all essential workers who continue their work during this global pandemic – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For those in our city who are homeless, poor, and marginalized – *pause (4 seconds)* – and for those who are working to assist them – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For our St. Joe's community, while separated at this time, that we remain united in prayer for each other and continue to reach out to those who are lonely and most vulnerable – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For all who are sick – *pause* – Amanda Rietschlin, Rod Bourgeois – *pause* – And for all who are listed in our book of the Sick and for their care-givers – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For all who have died – *pause* – we remember especially all who have died from COVID-19 – *pause* – And for those who mourn them – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For the prayers that lie quiet in our hearts – *pause (4 seconds)* – and for those in our prayer basket – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*