

PRAYERS of the FAITHFUL

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021

- ∞ For the millions of people around the world plunged into fear, insecurity, or abandonment by the pandemic, such as the elderly; may they find compassion, peace, and hope in better days – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For charitable organizations that help impoverished and marginalized people; may they always keep the hope of a fairer world alive – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray - *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For the political and economic leaders of all nations; following the example of the Good Samaritan, may their decisions be inspired by love and universal fraternity – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray - *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For the Church, called to promote the common good through dialogue, peace, reconciliation, and spiritual healing– *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray - *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For our community, called to act in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world in protecting God’s Creation, our common home– *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For Development and Peace’s partners, may they continue, through our support, to build a world of kindness, justice, and peace– *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For the sick (Dan Handfield, Judy Wyspianski, Julie McLaughlin, Frank McCaughey, Larry Fawcett, Derek Holmes) and those who care for them – *pause (4 seconds)* – and for those who have died and for those who mourn – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray – *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*
- ∞ For the prayers that lie quiet in our hearts – *pause (4 seconds)* – we pray - *Response: Merciful God, hear our prayer.*