PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
July 27 and 28, Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

That our seminaries may provide fruitful formation for those You call to serve by following the example of Jesus, our Good Shepherd, who calls, not for burnt offerings or perfect liturgies, but for humble and contrite hearts. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

In the Middle East, Ukraine, Haiti and around the world, we ask you to move the hearts of those hardened by hatred so that they may be open to love, and so that revenge may finally give way to forgiveness. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

As we celebrate St. Anne's Feast Day with a parish picnic this Sunday, we pray for your blessings on our parish community, including the blessing which is each and every person here. We pray that your Holy Spirit will continue to move within our community as we strive to take your love out into the world. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

We thank you for the unity we share – one Body, one baptism, one spirit, and one God over all. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

Help us to live our lives, not in scarcity of spirit, but rather in the joy of your abundance toward all. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

For the elders in our parishes, that as we strive to become one family, we will draw on their wisdom, and treasure the history of our communities. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

We pray for all those who are sick including Judy Higgins Jeanne Firth, Freddy Villa, Carol Heinicke, Liana Scott, Cheale Villa, Wynne Pierret, Alberto Restrepo, Beatrice Van Tulder, Maurice Krings, Roberto Clovis Silva, and Gabrielle Clune. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

We pray also for those who have died including Jean Hushebeck, Antonie Van Tulder. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.

We lift up to you all of the prayers of the St. Anne community, and those we hold in the silence of our hearts. **Lord who unites us in peace and love, we pray**.