

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
January 25-26, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

For the church: may each of us, the Body of Christ on earth, strive to recognize and carry out our unique roles in building the Kingdom of God here where we reside.

Holy Spirit who brings us hope, we pray.

For our world: raise up for us leaders in all nations, regions, cultures, and communities, who will go beyond the concepts of allies and enemies and promote instead a vision of one human race sharing one finite earth.

Holy Spirit who brings us hope, we pray.

Help us to trust in you and look ahead in hope for what is to come in our nation and in our own lives. Make us a part of your justice, peace and compassion, which bring light into this world.

Holy Spirit who brings us hope, we pray.

May we come to realize and know deep in our hearts that we are all one, as part of Your Body on earth – regardless of background, temperament, color, status in life or anything else – and that we need each other.

Holy Spirit who brings us hope, we pray.

We earnestly pray for all those who are sick. We pray also for all those who have died. May their souls rest in peace.

Holy Spirit who brings us hope, we pray.

We lift up to you the prayers of this community, and those we hold in the silence of our hearts.

Holy Spirit who brings us hope, we pray.