

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**  
**August 30 - 31, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We pray today for all who suffer because of violence. We pray especially for the community of the Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis. Jesus, bring your safety, healing and comfort to all affected. May your peace be restored in the shattered sanctuary of Annunciation Church. For those who would do violence to others, dear Jesus, intercede to soften their hearts and steady their minds. May Your love and hope extinguish all hate. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

That all who dwell on our earth be wise stewards of her finite resources. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

For those who are struggling to find adequate housing, may they receive it for, Lord in your goodness, you have “made a home for the poor.” **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

For those experiencing loneliness or alienation, may they find deep solace as family members and heirs of our loving Father. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

As the new school year begins at Our Lady of Fatima and St. Anne schools, we ask your special blessings on all the children returning to their school work, and for their teachers, school administrators, support staff and parents. Bring them your joy in all that they do. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

Give us the courage and humility to be servants of all – not only in our actions but in our hearts as well. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

We earnestly pray for all those who are sick. Bring them strength and hope. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

We also pray for those who have died. Grant them eternal rest, and bring comfort to those left behind. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**

We lift up to you all the prayers of this community, and those we hold in the silence of our hearts *[brief pause]*. **Jesus, our teacher, we pray.**