

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**  
**January 17-18, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For the Church: may we be “a light to the world: - proclaiming through our actions and our lives the Kingdom of our God of mercy, justice, forgiveness and love. **God who calls us, we pray.**

That world leaders seek and wait upon the Lord when implementing policy. **God who calls us, we pray.**

For this community that, united in our common faith, we may build together a loving family of children of God. **God who calls us, we pray.**

As we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. this week, may we each work to end all racism, bigotry, and prejudice. **God who calls us, we pray.**

Work through us, O Lord, so that we may be your light and love in the world. **God who calls us, we pray.**

We pray for all those who have died including Mary Bishop. Grant them eternal rest and bring comfort to those left behind. **God who calls us, we pray.**