

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**  
**February 21-22, First Sunday of Lent**

That those who serve the church – ordained, religious, and lay – guided by the Holy Spirit, may shepherd your people with wisdom and love.

**Lord of all mercy, we pray.**

That every person may hear the call to receive Christ's free gift of grace.

**Lord of all mercy, we pray.**

Help us to persevere in struggling toward the healing and transformation of our nation and world. **Lord of all mercy, we pray.**

As did Jesus, may we remember always that we are your children. Help us to continually walk in the path that leads us to you. **Lord of all mercy, we pray.**

For the grace to face the temptations of life by relying on your presence with us and your love. **Lord of all mercy, we pray.**

We pray for all those who have died including Donna Moriarity and Peggy Loucks. Grant them eternal rest and bring comfort to those left behind. **Lord of all mercy, we pray.**