

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

August 20, 2023

“20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME”

### Celebrant Prayer by the Priest:

**Commentator:**

Please respond, **Lord, Hear our Prayer.**

*(Pray with the congregation)* **Lord, Hear our Prayer.**

For the Church: that the faith and joy of all believers will attract unbelievers into God’s loving arms.

**We pray to the Lord.**

For Pope Francis: that God will continue to bless and strengthen him as he works to care for the Church on earth. **We pray to the Lord.**

For our world: that people of every race and culture will seek to understand those who are different from themselves. **We pray to the Lord.**

For immigrants: that they will be treated with dignity as beloved children of God. **We pray to the Lord.**

For our young people: that they will be open to the voice of the Holy Spirit, if they are being called to religious life. **We pray to the Lord.**

For our faith family at Immaculate Heart of Mary: that we will root out prejudice and welcome strangers into our community. **We pray to the Lord.**

**(Saturday)** For the repose of the soul of **Marie Aldridge**, for whom this Mass is offered, and for the souls of all the faithful departed: that, through the mercy of God, they all will enjoy eternal peace. **We pray to the Lord.**

**(Sunday)** For the repose of the soul of **Kevin Hicks**, for whom this mass is offered, and for the souls of all the faithful departed: that through the mercy of God, they all will enjoy eternal peace. **We pray to the Lord.**