

The Prayers of the People

17 January 2021

The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine

Bidding

In peace, let us pray to the Lord saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for The Anglican Church of Australia, remembered throughout the Communion today. In the Diocese of New York, we are praying for the people and clergy of the Church of the Messiah in Rhinebeck.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for all who face the rising tide of coronavirus, those who are ill, and those who near death. Let us pray for those who are actively seeking to be vaccinated, especially those for whom the process is a struggle and a befuddlement. And let us pray for the public health officials in our own State of New York and across the world who are working to make the vaccines available.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

In silence, let us pray for our broken and battered nation. (A long period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

In silence, let us pray that Inauguration Day will not see the threatened violence come to pass. (A long period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

In silence, let us pray the the vision of the Reverend and Blesséd Martin Luther King for our nation and for our world will become real. (A long period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

And let us pray for Joseph Biden and Kamala Harris and those they have nominated to share in their work.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us be mindful of those in need or trouble. We have been asked today to pray for Rodolfo Bolaños, Francisco Bahena, Glenda and Gordon Strother, and the Atherton family; for Lukas Walker Bosman, Rohan Piper, and Harvey Austin; for Ghislaine, Karen, Robert, Madison, Mary, Aundrea, and Terry. Let us call to heart and mind others in want or distress, and let us speak their names aloud or hold them in silence before God. (A period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us give thanks for life's blessings. Let us give special thanks today for our common life as Americans. Let us give thanks for the work and the witness of Blesséd Martin Luther King and all those who carry on his ministry, and let us beseech God to raise up others to embody Jesus' liberating work in the world. Let us give thanks, as always, for those whose generosity makes the life of our Cathedral possible. For what else should we be thankful? (A period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for the dead. Our prayers have been asked this week for Ashli Babbit, Brian Sicknick, Gina Crouthers, and Bill Grogan; for Elizabeth Huter, Gene Gollogly, Benjamin Philips, Kevin Greeson, and Rosanne Boyland. Let us commend to God's mercy others who have died, remembering them in silence or aloud. (A period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider says:

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom;
and grant that we your servants,
who now live by faith,
may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty;
even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate.