

READERS: Please take a moment to position the microphone directly in front of your mouth, as this will enable the congregation to hear you clearly. Thank you!

## ***Prayers of the People: Saturday, July 8, 2023 5:00 PM***

**LEADER:** The Prayers of the People are Form III and can be found on page 387 of the Book of Common Prayer.

**(The Leader and People pray responsively.)**

**Leader:** Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, that we may be a vehicle for peace in the world, in our homes, and in our St. Andrews family;

**People:** That we all may be one.

**Leader:** Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you in any way we can; in our homes, in our workplaces, in our churches, and in our daily interactions with others. Help us serve you at St. Andrews in the many large and small tasks that need to be done to keep our church moving forward;

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Communion in Japan (The Nippon Sei Ko Kai). In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all the Clergy, Wardens, Vestry, and Congregations, especially those who do not have permanent Clergy;

**People:** That your name may be glorified by all people.

**Leader:** Remembering especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Carlye, our Bishop; the Priests who have agreed to help us in our time of need for services and education; our Wardens, Amy and Christine, and our Vestry, to have continued strength and wisdom

to uphold God's plans for us; and our parishioners who have stepped up to help all of us in all we are trying to accomplish;  
**People:** That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

**Leader:** Remembering especially Joseph, our President; Kamala, our Vice-President; Philip, our Governor; and Paul, the Mayor of Harrington Park; we pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People:** That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

**Leader:** Protect and guide this parish, and the communities in which we live. Help us to resolve our differences in your love. Embrace us in your Spirit to help us work together on the future of our church. Remind us of the gifts of each person and show us how to use them for your goodness. We remember those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Bianca Rae Lazarski, and those celebrating anniversaries.

We pray for the homeless and the hungry, that they may be relieved from distress and protected from harm. We pray for the guests, volunteers, staff, and board of Family Promise and for The Church of the Holy Communion Food Pantry in Norwood. We pray for our Sunday School and for our upcoming Confirmation Class. In St. Andrew's, The Church, and The World, give us the grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People:** That our worlds may find favor in your sight.

**Leader:** We pray for all those who have asked for our prayers, especially those on our prayer list. Please take a moment to see those names in our bulletin. (Pause)

We remember the people of Ukraine and all those suffering from the ravages of war. We pray for all the victims of gun violence, their families, and communities. We pray for all those who suffer from addiction and those in their lives who feel the effects; that they may find healing and hope in a community of love. We pray for all of us, of all ages, who are in a time of crisis in our mental, physical, and spiritual health. We pray that St. Andrews may come to a healing of differences and from the pain we have felt in the past year; and work together as one toward a new future. Help us to be open to each other and find a way to move toward a way to carry out God's plan in our lives;

**People:** That they may be delivered from their distress.

**Leader:** Give to the departed eternal rest;

**People:** Let light perpetual shine upon them.

**Leader:** We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People:** May we also come to share in your Heavenly Kingdom.

**Leader:** Let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

*Silence*

**Celebrant:**

The Celebrant adds a Concluding Collect.