

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
August 29, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

May we, your church – under the guidance of Holy Spirit and the leadership of Pope Francis – commit to respecting, understanding and loving one another so that the world may witness what Christianity offers. **Father of lights, we pray.**

For President Biden and our military and security leaders, that they also be guided by Holy Spirit as they work to safely evacuate Americans, foreign nationals, Afghani allies and American military from Afghanistan. **Father of lights, we pray.**

Help us to be truly present to what is happening around us and give us the wisdom to discern how you are moving within it. **Father of lights, we pray.**

Look within our hearts with your love and restore us to wholeness so that we can be all that you created us to be. **Father of lights, we pray.**

Be with our community here at St. Anne's. Help us to be "doers of your Word" as we care for one another and respond to the needs of the world. **Father of lights, we pray.**

We pray for all those who are sick including Suzanne Hammil, Imani Webb, Kenneth Bridges, Brian O'Neil, Suzanne Rosenthal, John Flynn, son of Geraldine and Damian, Kathi Ellsworth, Shea Gholson, Stephen Wilken, Lois Hughes, Betty Ferguson, Bill Hulvershorn, Tom Nolan, Jim Young, VonDell Hebert, and all who are suffering from the effects of COVID-19. **Father of lights, we pray.**

We pray also for those who have died including Zenaida Tamisin, mother of Minda Marxheimer, Mike Sirers, Mike Easley, brother-in-law of Jennifer Hazzard, and Ted Kennedy, brother of Steve Kennedy. **Father of lights, we pray.**

We lift up to you all of the prayers of the St. Anne community, and those we hold in the silence of our hearts. **Father of lights, we pray.**