

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

January 21 & 22, 2012 - Epiphany 3

*As God is moved by the sincerity of our repentance, so too God is pleased by the faithfulness of our prayers. Let us offer out prayers to God, saying Hear our prayer.*

You have called us, O God, to follow you. Give us the grace to listen to your call, to lay aside the things of this world, and to follow you. We pray especially for our President Barack and our Governor Andrew. We pray for those who guard the peace, especially Daniel, Kevin, Kathy, Eric, Travis, Matt M., Ken, Matt S., Jason T, Luke, Adam, Sandy, Adam, Jeffrey, Tom, and Gary;

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the church; for the unity of the body of Christ, that needless division might cease; especially Katharine our Presiding Bishop, our Bishop Skip, and Tim our Priest.

*In our parishes*, we pray for St. John's Church, Cape Vincent and Grace Church, Carthage - The Rev. Ed Murphy, Priest-in-Charge.

*In our diocese*, we pray for The Very Rev. John Martinichio and the people of St. Paul's, Endicott as they celebrate his new ministry there this week.

*In our companion diocese*, we pray for the Medical Mission from Central New York as they travel to El Salvador this week.

*In the Anglican Communion*, we pray for the people of Brazil and the Most Rev. Mauracio Jose Araujo de Andrade (Primate of Brazil and Bishop of Brasilia), and for all who nurture our life together, that the body may be strengthened and our common life enriched;

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

You have sent us, O God, into the world to tell the story of your love and faithfulness. Give us a holy zeal for the proclamation of the gospel in this place and in all the world. We thank you for all the blessings of this life; and we also bless your holy Name for all your servants departed this life in their faith and fear, especially Richard Howarth, Jr.;

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

You have called, O God, persons of varieties of gifts to serve your church. Bless, we pray, the ministries of musicians and artists, scholars and writers, pastors and teachers, that their work enrich our common life and offer us a glimpse of the life to come:

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

You gave life, O God, for us and for all people. We remember before you those who are sick especially...

Will, Jennifer, Andrew, Bill & Jean, Maria, Janet, Zach, Helen, Esther & Robert, Dorene, Terry, Judy, Joan, Elizabeth, Brendan, Kristina, Robin, Marie, Hannah, Lisa, Rene, Mike & Ruth, Samantha, Phyllis, Tom, Kate, Dorothy, Kathy, Mary Grace & Patrick, Kristin, Annie, Jim, Bill, Jack, Edna, Hank, Tom, Josephine, Anne, Ruthann, Jim, Marion, Angelo & Lucy, Sara, Margaret, William, Frank, Florian, Jeanne, Jean, Rudy, Ron, Kathi, Art, Cindy & Claudia, and Helen;

And those we name at this time:

Those who mourn, and those who rejoice. As you have reached out to us in love, so inspire us to be present to those we have named before you.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

*As we are faithful in prayer, O God, so make us faithful in following you, that loving and deserving you all the days of our lives, we may know the joy of the resurrection and may look with longing for your coming in power; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*