

## Third Sunday in Lent, Cycle B

### General Intercessions

*Celebrant:* We are called to be a holy people. Turning to the one true God, we offer our prayers in faith and trust.

*Deacon/Lector:*

That the Church may continue to courageously proclaim the Gospel message in response to the needs of the world, we pray to the Lord...

That the pope, bishops, and all Church leaders may continue to remind us of the needs of the poor and of the ways in which we can serve, we pray to the Lord...

For all those who are preparing for baptism on Easter night, we pray to the Lord...

That in obedience to the command "Thou shall not kill," all nations will abolish the practice of abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia, we pray to the Lord...

That our parish family may be a faith-filled community where all are welcome and strive to imitate Christ in word and action, we pray to the Lord...

That those who have died may rest in the peace of the Messiah, we pray to the Lord...

*Celebrant:*

Heavenly Father,  
we ask your blessings on this community as we journey through Lent.  
Give us grace and strength to follow you more closely.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.