## Universal Prayers of the Faithful December 14, 2025

For the Church: that we, who have been created in the image and likeness of God may always find joy through our relationship with Christ....we pray to the Lord.

For the Archdiocese of Detroit and her many parishes: that we seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit during this time of Archdiocesan Restructuring....we pray to the Lord

For a joyful spirit: that as we recognize the gift of our relationships and the many blessings that God has given us, our hearts may be grateful, and our spirits filled with joy....we pray to the Lord

For a renewal of the gift of the Holy Spirit: that God will stir up the Spirit that has been given to us so that we may announce the Good News, share hope, and offer compassionate care to those around us....we pray to the Lord

For a new appreciation of the created world: that we may find God in all things that God has created and rejoice that God is close to us this day....we pray to the Lord

For peace: that God will bring forth a new springtime of peace in every land, end the fighting in Ukraine and Sudan, maintain the ceasefire in Gaza and Lebanon, and turn darkness into light, pain into joy, and fear into hope....we pray to the Lord

For all who are suffering: that God will comfort the grieving, heal the sick, guide the homeless to safe places with warmth, provide food for the hungry, and safety to those fleeing violence....we pray to the Lord

For our faithful departed ones: that they may be among God's ransomed ones who enter Zion singing and crowned with everlasting joy, especially Kevin Scully, Fred Murphy, and Patrick Cunniffe (Cun-if)....we pray to the Lord