

## Prayers of the Faithful

- That we find this time of healing to be an opportunity to also help the least of our brothers and sisters through our support of the Catholic Charities Appeal;
- That the church might continue to grow in holiness through merciful mission to those who are most in need of God's love;
- That our Pope Francis, our Bishop Edward Malesic, and all bishops will recognize God's call to mission on behalf of all people neglected by society;
- That the success of our 2023 "A time to heal. A time to help." Catholic Charities Appeal might shower with mercy those who are hurting: our homeless, our hungry, our unemployed, and our addicted;
- That our elderly, our chronically ill, and those living with disabilities might find in our parish community respect, dignity, and Christian love;
- That the love of God might be seen in the love that we show to the least of our brothers and sisters;
- That we might embrace our poor and our suffering sisters and brothers as Christ embraces and loves the outcast of society;
- That God's voice calling us and empowering us for mission in his name might stir our hearts to mercy, compassion, and love for all humanity;
- That we might seek more and more the merciful and empowering love of God through the sacrament of Penance