



## **Intercessions and Blessing for the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time – January 19, 2025**

### **General Intercessions**

For our parish: that as a family of families we might foster a renewed celebration of the gift of marriage and family, and encourage all to celebrate the beauty of this sacrament. Let us pray to the Lord.

For all people whose deep desire to love and to be loved in the vocation of marriage has not been fulfilled: that God may give them strength, patience, and trust that their lives are already fruitful in love as they generously collaborate with Him each day. Let us pray to the Lord.

### **Blessing after Communion for Grandparents**

Each month, we offer you a different blessing that can be used at Mass - children, parents, pregnant moms, engaged couples, etc. This month, we offer a prayer of blessing for grandparents. Feel free to use it at this Mass or offer another blessing for family members in your parish. After reciting the Prayer after Communion, invite grandparents to stand and offer the following prayer together:

Lord God almighty,  
We thank you for our cherished grandparents,  
For their gifts of wisdom, experience, love, and faith.  
We recall the Psalmist, “The Lord bless you from Zion:  
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem  
all the days of your life.  
May you see your children's children.”  
Bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health.  
May they remain constant in your love  
and be living signs of your presence  
to their children and grandchildren.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

