Intercessions September 5, 2021

Presider:

With trust in God's desire to lead us to fullness of life in his presence, let us place before him our needs and the needs of others.

- For the church, may we lead others to abundant life in Jesus, serving as instruments of peace and healing in the world... we pray,
- For leaders of nations, may they attend to the growing divide between the rich and the poor, and seek to create a society where all might thrive... we pray,
- For our nation on this Labor Day weekend: may the weary find rest, and may those in need of work find employment with just wages.
- For those suffering from terminal illness and for their families, friends, and caregivers, may they be comforted by the Lord of life and lifted up by loving communities... we pray,
- For every one of us in the family of St. Pius X, may we entrust God with all our fears and anxieties, seeking to grow in a personal relationship with the giver of peace, Jesus Christ... we pray,
- [11am Only, look at camera: For friends and family joining in worship through live-stream, may you experience the healing presence of Jesus Christ, and know of our community's love for you... we pray,]
- For the sick, the suffering, and for those who have died, especially _____ ... we pray,

Lector, please remain at the ambo until the following prayer is concluded.

Presider: Following the prayer in the cover of the hymnal, together we pray:

All: Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families and households, the domestic church of Eastern Montana, may be places of communion and prayer, of love and mercy; authentic schools of the Gospel. Holy Family of Nazareth, may our families and households in Eastern Montana never experience violence, rejection or division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing. Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, the domestic church, and its beauty in God's plan. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer! Amen.