

Fourth Sunday Of Advent
December 22, 2019 (Saturday)

Fr. Alfredo: As we await the fulfillment of God's kingdom, let us bring our prayers and concerns for the world, the Church and ourselves before our God.

For Pope Francis and the whole Church, that in this coming Christmas season, our Yes to Christ may be renewed to deepen our journey of faith, ***let us pray to the Lord.***

For each one of us in this last week of Advent, that our hearts may be re-awakened from our cynicism and skepticism that are preventing us in recognizing the divine presence of hope, ***let us pray to the Lord.***

For a deeper trust and docility to the Holy Spirit among persons discerning a call to serve Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, ***let us pray to the Lord.***

For all children and teachers in our schools that they may experience a joyful Christmas time with their families and a safe return to their studies in the New Year, ***let us pray to the Lord.***

For the sick and for those who care for them, ***let us pray to the Lord.***

For all who have died, especially Mary Ryan, may they be welcomed into their glorious dwelling place in heaven, ***let us pray to the Lord.***

Fr. Alfredo: Eternal God...

Bless your church with holy and faithful priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son, so that in him, with him and through him we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen