

## Prayers of the Faithful

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017

-We pray for the Church. That we may prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of the Lord, **We pray to the Lord.**

-We pray for our Parish family. That we may embrace our past and the challenges of the present, **We pray to the Lord.**

-We pray for our Catholic schools and for all educators. We pray in a special way for our children in religious education and Sacramental preparation programs. That we may teach our young people to know and love the truth, **We pray to the Lord.**

-We pray all who suffer from doubt and fear. That the Lord may reveal himself to them through the witness of others, **We pray to the Lord.**

-We pray for a greater respect of all life. That we may honour God's image in all people and especially in the most vulnerable, **We pray to the Lord.**

-We pray for the sick, the suffering, and the dying. For their healing and union with Christ, **We pray to the Lord.**

-We pray for all those who have died. That the Lord may welcome them home, **We pray to the Lord.**