# Prayers for the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 19, 2017

## **PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you call us to love our enemies: Lord, have mercy. Christ Jesus, you call us to change our behavior: Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you challenge us to be perfect: Lord, have mercy

## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

**Presider:** Let us pray that we may someday live in a world where hate and revenge will no longer exist.

Lector: For all Christians who struggle with the challenge of loving one's enemy...we pray,

- For peacemakers, negotiators and all who work to promote peace and reconciliation between warring nations...we pray,
- For those who promote retribution, revenge or hatred toward others who are different...we pray,
- For refugees who are forced to flee their homes and for all whose enemies inflict violence...we pray,
- For the courage to follow the example of those such as Nelson Mandela, Mahatma Gandhi, Malala Yousafzai and Dorothy Day in promoting peace among enemies...we pray,
- For parents, teachers, counselors and all who cultivate children into becoming peacemakers...we pray,
- As we celebrate Presidents' Day, for the wisdom and integrity of our new president and our national leaders...we pray,
- For all in our community who are sick or in any kind of need; and for those who have died...(*including*)...we pray,

### Saturday/Sábado, February 18, 2017

5:00 pm † Elias & Gregoria Gomez

### Sunday/Domingo, February 19, 2017

8:30 am † All Souls
10:30 am † Mau Nguyen (pronounced Win)
12:30 pm For the People [Skip intention...Do not read including]

**Presider** God of mercy, Jesus has challenged us to live in ways that stretch us beyond where we are. Give us the courage to follow the example of peacemakers who loved their enemies. Remind us that all are our brothers and sisters, no matter how they treat us. We seek to be like Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.