

Universal Prayer
Second Sunday of Advent
December 8 & 9

We pray that families and mentors will encourage young people to consider a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, and that parishioners Nick Fleming and Joel Seipp, currently in formation for the priesthood, will be strengthened by the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

We pray for the brave men and women of our military who are currently deployed serving our country, for the service of our nation's many veterans, and for an end to war and violence throughout the world.

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and protector of the unborn, we pray that minds and hearts will be converted to recognize the beauty of life in the womb, and that the cries of the most vulnerable members of society will be heard and responded to.

We pray for all who are called to live and speak the truth like the prophet John the Baptist. May they courageously witness to the way of Christ when confronted by powerful and influential members of society.

We pray in thanksgiving for the members of our local St. Vincent de Paul Society chapter. May their patron intercede for them and strengthen them to continue to perform the works of mercy for the poor in our community.

We pray for us gathered here today. May our love grow in depth and sincerity so that our words and actions may manifest compassion towards all whom God brings into our lives.

We pray that all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, will rest in peace, especially Emma Bugger – and Grace Regutti, mother of Dorette Arbogast...

5:00 ...and for **Melvin Seipp** who is remembered in this Mass.

8:30 ...and for **Joseph Rademacher – and James Papproth** who are remembered in this Mass.

10:30 ...and for **Jane Isselhart – and Frances and Lalo Alvarado** who are remembered in this Mass.