

**Prayer of the Faithful**  
**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 17 - 18, 2021**

**Presider: Shepherding God, in Christ Jesus you show us the breadth and depth of your love for us. So, with great trust we now give voice to our prayers and petitions.**

**Lector:**

**For the Church, as we remember and honor St. Mary Magdalene this coming Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, may we come to appreciate more fully her role as the first witness to Christ's resurrection and as an apostle to the apostles so that women may share more fully in the ministry of shepherding God's flock, we pray...**

**For World and Church leaders, may they address any and all dividing walls of hatred and division in a spirit that encourages and fosters peace, justice and reconciliation, we pray...**

**For the leaders and people of our country, may our hearts be moved to welcome all those seeking asylum and a safe haven with us, we pray...**

**For the homeless, the unemployed, or those experiencing financial difficulty, may the riches of God's grace be lavished upon them, we pray...**

**For our St. Ignatius Parish community, may we always extend our compassion and helping hands to those in need, we pray...**

**For the sick among them Said (Pronounced Sy-eed) Ghachem and those who have been recommended to us for prayer, may they experience in their daily lives the merciful love of Christ the good shepherd, we pray...**

**For all our beloved dead, among them Jorge y Graciela Madrid, Michelle A. Shay, Kathleen Paniaggio, Stephen B. Poelaert, Magna Tisza, Jose Raul Flores, Marco Tulio Bonilla Solano, Phom Syvilay, Charlie Peary, Jerry Smith, and Leona Giovannini may they dwell forever in the peace of the house of the Lord, we pray...**

**Presider: Shepherding God, we thank you for your many gifts and blessings and ask that you answer these spoken prayers and those**

**of our hearts in accordance with your will through Christ Jesus our Lord. AMEN.**