Prayers of the People February 26, 2023

Real God Thank You, Lord God, for Lent, for a time of quiet reflection, prayer, fasting, and focusing on the work completed in Your Son, Jesus. Help us by Your Spirit to take this time seriously, as you take us seriously, to grow closer to You, to know and love You more deeply and joyfully.

Real Church We pray for our Primate, Linda; ELCIC Bishop Susan, Diocesan Bishop Geoff, Metropolitan Greg, Interim Indigenous Bishop Sidney, and Bishop Michael of our companion Diocese.

We pray for the Scottish Episcopal Church. We lift to you Archbishop Justin Welby.

ACC: The Rt. Rev. John Organ, Bishop, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland

ELCIC The Dean, Council, and congregations of the Georgian, Huronia and Bay Areas of the Eastern Synod

Council of the North; the Diocese of Quebec

Rupert's Land: Our Congregations and Communities

Central Buganda The Parish of Kasana – Ordinand Herbert Ssekiwunga

At St Aidan's: We thank You for the staff who so faithfully work for You, and for us. Please remind us to pray for them, often, for their strength and stamina. We thank you for the Stephen Ministry caregivers and those receiving care; bless them richly as they visit, listen and pray.

We place into Your hands the AGM following our worship, and ask that You would make this hybrid service free of technical glitches. May any questions and comments be made in a spirit of love for one another. Bless Deacon Chris as he chairs the meeting.

For those who step forward to offer their services in so many ways, and we give You thanks especially for Merle and Jan, who will pass the Warden's torches to Wes and Bethina. Please smooth the path of this transition and bless them mightily. Nudge us to pray for them as they navigate their roles.

Missions: St. Aidan's Christian School -- We pray for the attendance of all the children, that families, particularly in the North End, would recognize the importance of education. We pray for wisdom for Carla and Erica as they navigate concerns/issues with staff and parents/guardians, for strength and patience for all the staff and volunteers. We pray for the board and all administrators in their planning moving forward. Lord, may your plans be their plans. Amen.

Real Lives We pray for those who have endured yet another quake in Turkiye. Give the rescuers the strength and stamina they need. For those rescued, we pray that You would take care of the trauma of loss and injury so many will have to deal with.

For those ill and in need: Give those that we know who are in distress Your comforting Spirit, and a sense that You are very near. We speak their names quietly, placing them in Your arms.

We pray for those in hospitals, personal care homes, or homebound: Allan, Kathy, Carol, Joy, Margaret, Andrew, Barbara, David, Elizabeth, Harold, Neville and Pam, and others whom you have on your hearts today.

We remember and give thanks for all recently departed in Christ and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. We offer our prayers and supplications to you, Lord, with confidence, and trusting that you hear them and are answering our pleas.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers.