

## INTERCESSIONS

(These may be used as a set for prayer services. For Mass, select one or two intercessions to add to your usual intentions and then change them each week.)

Let us bring our concerns and needs before our Lord and pray: Lord, hear our prayer.

For those bound by the chains of addiction, may they find courage and strength from God to take the next step on a journey toward healing: **R.**

For families who have been robbed of their loved one because of addiction, that they may be able to show their love and compassion with faith and patience, we pray: **R.**

For all those who minister to those struggling with the impact of the illness of addiction, that they may seek strength, support, and healing in their God, we pray: **R.**

For those who have lost loved ones due to drugs, that they may know that the ties of love that bind us together on earth do not dissolve with death. **R.**

For those who have died, having lost the battle against drugs and addiction, that they may find peace, forgiveness and eternal rest. **R.**

For all of us here, that we may be attentive to those who are weighed down with the burden of addiction, and seek ways to stand by them and their families through prayer, encouragement and assistance, we pray: **R.**

*The minister says:*

Let us bring our concerns and needs before our Lord and pray: Lord, hear our prayer.

Our God gives us life and constantly calls us to new life; let us pray to God with confidence.

**R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Assisting minister:*

For those addicted to opioid drugs, that God may be their strength and support, we pray. **R.**

*Assisting minister:*

For those bound by the chains of addiction, that we encourage and assist them in their struggle, we pray. **R.**

*Assisting minister:*

For those who are despondent, that they may trust in the mercy of God through whom all things are possible, we pray. **R.**

*Assisting minister:*

For family and friends, that with faith and patience they may show them their love, we pray. **R.**

*Assisting minister:*

For first responders, hospital personnel and medical professionals, who support those dealing with addiction and substance abuse, we pray. **R.**

*Assisting minister:*

For the Church, that it may always be attentive to those in need, we pray. **R.**