## Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, Ojai, CA Prayer of the Faithful for Sunday 1/29/2017 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Presider

The beatitudes express God's unconditional love for us. Knowing we are the Father's beloved children, let us present our prayer to him.

## **Deacon / Lector**

- 1. That Church leaders always remain open to the divine direction of the Holy Spirit. We pray to the Lord.
- 2. That rulers and legislators be inspired by the beatitudes to serve the poor and the voiceless. We pray to the Lord.
- 3. That poor people, especially those who are homeless or mentally ill, enjoy a life of dignity and abundant blessings. We pray to the Lord.
- 4. That all who fight for justice and peace maintain hope in difficult times. We pray to the Lord.
- 5. That all who gather at this table take seriously their calling to help build the reign of God in home, school and neighborhood. We pray to the Lord.
- 6. **(5:00 p.m.)** For the special intention for the peaceful repose of the soul of Harlan Kurzweil for whom this Eucharist is offered. We pray to the Lord.

**(7:30 a.m.)** For the special intention for the entire Saint Thomas Aquinas parish community for whom this Eucharist is offered. We pray to the Lord.

**(9:30 a.m.)** For the special intention for the Toth-Fejel Family for whom this Eucharist is offered. We pray to the Lord.

7. For the prayers on our parish prayer line, especially for the peaceful repose of the souls of Miriam Dumer, Mary Quijada, Jock VanDyke, Marjorie Lord and Leonard Yates; the prayers in our book of intentions, and the prayers that we hold in the silence of our heart. [pause] We pray to the Lord.

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God of justice and mercy, you know our needs and relieve our anxiety. Give us humble hearts and make us worthy of your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.