## Universal Prayer Intercessions for the Elect

**Presider:** *Please stand.* We make this Lenten journey together, looking forward to the saving mysteries of the Passion and Resurrection. Our elect, whom we are bringing to the Paschal Sacraments, look to us for an example of Christian renewal. Therefore, let us pray to the Lord for them and for ourselves, that being encouraged by our mutual renewal, we may be made worthy of the paschal graces. Our response is sung.

- For the Church, may we enter deeply into this time of Lenten preparation with our elect and candidates so that when we renew our baptismal promises at Easter, we will do so with a sense of joy and commitment...we sing
- For our elect, that their lives might be transformed into a pleasing offering to you...we sing
- For our elect, that they may draw joy from daily prayer and, by praying to you often, they may live in ever closer union with you...we sing
- For their sponsors, may they give a good example by their consistent living of the Gospel, in their personal actions and in their duties in society...we sing
- For all those who have not yet overcome their hesitation to respond to God's call, may they trust in Christ and one day join our community...we sing
- That we will use the Annual Catholic Appeal as our opportunity to focus on the great commission to "Go Make Disciples," in our homes, in our parishes, and in our communities…we sing
- For all of us in the family of disciples at St. Pius X, may we live this Lent understanding that "This is the time" to turn our minds and hearts to God...we sing
- For the sick, the suffering, and for those who have died...we sing

Lector, please remain at the ambo until the following prayer is concluded.