

In this season of Advent where our Redeemer brings us new hope, let us pray to our Maker saying: *Renew our hope in You.*

Eternal God, we pray that Your grace would be realized in Your Church throughout the world, that we would be a beacon of light and source of goodness to all Your creation.

Lord, in your mercy, *Renew our hope in You.*

Inspire our elected officials and the citizens of this land to seek Your ways above all others that we may live in peace and prosperity all our days.

Lord, in your mercy, *Renew our hope in You.*

Help us increase justice in this world that the oppressed may be set free, the poor rise up, and outcasts be loved as Your children.

Lord, in your mercy, *Renew our hope in You.*

Bless this parish community and all who live in this neighborhood that we might love our neighbors as ourselves and welcome the stranger into our midst.

Lord, in your mercy, *Renew our hope in You.*

Make your presence known to all who suffer from grief, sickness, or loss, that they may know the consolation of your love and have the strength to meet the days ahead. We pray especially for: _____, and those we may now mention, silently or aloud: _____.

Lord, in your mercy, *Renew our hope in You.*

Be with those who grieve the loss of a loved one and accept our humble thanks that through your son, our savior Jesus Christ, we have inherited your eternal kingdom.

We pray especially for _____, and those we may now mention, silently or aloud: _____.

Lord, in your mercy, *Renew our hope in You.*