**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Year B**

**Priest: If “nothing is impossible to God,” with confidence we can make our prayers for this world, through the powerful intercession of Mary, model of faith and hope.**

Reader: For the clergy and people of the universal community of faith

 Lord Hear Us

Reader: For the nations where atheistic or secularist ideologies restrict religious freedom Lord Hear Us

Reader: For people overwhelmed with problems who no longer believe that the Good News can be for them Lord Hear Us

Reader: For the grace of perfect trust in God, like the Virgin of Nazareth

 Lord Hear Us

Reader: For all the people in our parish here in St Geoge’s and at St Wilfrid’s who have felt bereavement during this past year Lord Hear Us

Reader: For those the departed who await the reign of Christ that will have no end Lord In Your Mercy

Reader: For those within our families, friends and fellow parishioners who are unwell at this time, may the healing hand of Christ restore them to good health

 Lord Hear Us

Reader: Let us pray to Mary the Mother of our Saviour and our Mother in Heaven Hail Mary …………………

Reader: Let us now pray in the silence of our hearts for our own private intentions

**Priest: God our Father, as Christmas draws near, we bring these prayers before you, assisted by blessed Mary, ever-virgin, your faithful handmaid, the Mother of your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.**

 **Amen.**