

# Prayer Service



**Sister Dennis O'Connor**  
May 15, 1923—January 27, 2025

Nazareth Center Chapel  
February 6, 2025  
11:00 a.m.

## Welcome

**Opening Song:** *I Am the Bread of Life* BB #355 vv. 1—3

**Leader:** Most loving and compassionate God, Sister Dennis is gone now from this earthly dwelling. We give You thanks as we celebrate her life, hold her memory with gratitude, and live in the hope of the eternal kingdom where you will bring us together again.

**All: Amen**

**Antiphon:** <sup>ALL</sup> **I give you thanks with all my heart.  
Your steadfast love endures forever.**

## Psalm 138

- 1 I give you thanks with all my heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise.  
I bow down before your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name  
for your steadfast love and your faithfulness.  
Far exalted above all are your name and your Word.
- 2 On the day I called you answered me.  
You increased the strength of my soul.
- 1 All the earth's rulers shall praise you  
for they have heard the word of your mouth.  
They shall sing of your ways for great is your glory,  
O God.
- 2 Though you are high, you look on the lowly,  
and the haughty you know from afar.

- <sup>1</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
You preserve my life.
- <sup>2</sup> You stretch out your hand and save me.  
You will fulfill your purpose for me.  
Your steadfast love endures forever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

**Antiphon:** <sup>ALL</sup> **I give you thanks with all my heart.  
Your steadfast love endures forever.**

**Reading:** *1 Corinthians* 13: 4—13

**Sharing**

**Song Response:** *O Loving God* BB #670, vv. 1—2

**Prayer to St. Agnes:**

Behold, what I long coveted, I already see; what I hoped for I now hold safe. To God alone I am associated in Heaven, whom on earth I loved with all devotedness.

**Leader:** Pray for us, St. Agnes.

**All:** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Let us pray:** Almighty and eternal God, who choose the weak of the world to confound the strong, mercifully grant that we, who are placed under the patronage of your virgin and martyr, Agnes, may feel the benefit of her intercession with you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Closing Song:** *I Am the Bread of Life* BB #355 vv. 4—5

# ✿ *An Irish Blessing* ✿

May the road rise to meet you,  
May the wind be always at your back,  
May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
May the rain fall soft upon your fields,  
And until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of His hand

