

# Florida Catholic Conference of Bishops

## Election 2012 Liturgical Resource

### Sample Intercessions

The following intercessions could be included with the parish's intercessions on the following weekends prior to the November 6, 2012 General Elections.

#### October 27-28, 2012 – The 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52*

- **Amendment 6**

Christ, the great high priest, has enlightened us to see that his is a Gospel of Life; as faithful followers, may we support efforts like Amendment 6 that would prohibit public funding for abortion and support parental consent for minors. We pray to the Lord.

- **Amendment 8**

Gathered together by God, we rejoice in our freedom to worship and serve him in our ministries and institutions; as faithful citizens, may we support the principle of Amendment 8 to safeguard the ability of all faith-based entities to freely serve the residents of Florida regardless of faith. We pray to the Lord.

- **Faithful Citizenship**

Like Bartimaeus, whose faith in the Lord enabled him to see, may we, be granted the vision to vote using well-formed consciences that are enlightened by the teaching of Christ and his Church, and discerned through the virtue of prudence. We pray to the Lord.

#### November 3-4, 2012 – The 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34*

- **Amendment 6**

For the protection of the unborn: that by our reflection on the commandments to love God and neighbor we will come to realize the wisdom of Amendment 6 in prohibiting public funding for abortion. We pray to the Lord.

- **Amendment 8**

For the protection of religious freedom for Catholic institutions and other faith-based entities to provide assistance to the faithful and for all Florida residents regardless of faith, as proposed in Amendment 8. We pray to the Lord.

- **Faithful Citizenship**

For our country as we go to the polls this week: that by recognizing the rights of each of her citizens to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, she might stand as a beacon of hope to all in the world; we pray to the Lord.