

Prayers of the Faithful

Mary, The Holy Mother of God.

January 1st, 2023, Cycle A

1. Throughout this New Year, we pray for the grace to practise daily prayer, to trust in God's loving care and to commit ourselves to God's mercy.

Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that we may live deeply with purpose; live wisely with humility; live justly with compassion.

Lord, hear us.

3. We pray that those who are alienated from God will find peace through reconciliation.

Lord, hear us.

4. We pray that those who enjoy abundance will be inspired to care for the poor of the world.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray for those who live in fear. Mary, Mother of peace, show us how to be messengers of peace wherever we go.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause now for our own prayers. (*** 5 second pause**)

Lord, hear us.

...Priest: We pray for our dead.

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The Epiphany of the Lord.

January 6th, 2023, Cycle A

1. We pray that the leaders of our Church will light the paths of those who search for truth and meaning in their lives.
Lord, hear us.

2. We pray for the grace to protect the dignity of every human being and break down the prejudice that separates us from each other.
Lord, hear us,

3. We pray for generous benefactors who enable us to share our gifts with those to whom we minister.
Lord, hear us,

4. We pray for those who are close to death. Free them from anxiety and fear. Comfort them with the hope of new life in heaven.
Lord, hear us,

5. We pray for all mothers and fathers teaching their children the way of your truth. Strengthen them in their efforts to live a Christian family life.
Lord, hear us.

6. We pause for our own prayers (5 seconds)
Lord, hear us.

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The Baptism of the Lord.

January 8th, 2023, Cycle A

1. We pray for our Church leaders. May they experience the encouragement and support of the parishioners as they guide us along the path of discipleship.
Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that parents who present their children for Baptism will understand their responsibilities to pass on the faith by teaching their children to know and love Jesus as their friend.
Lord, hear us.

3. We pray for people in need. Lord, move our hearts to reach out in compassion to relieve their suffering and restore their belief in themselves.
Lord, hear us.

4. We pray for the courage to undertake the necessary steps to counteract the destruction of planet Earth.
Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that all who are sick will experience the kindness and care necessary to restore them to health.
Lord, hear us.

6. We pause now for our own prayers. (** 5 second pause*)
...Lord, hear us.

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th January, 2023 Cycle A.

1. We pray that our Church leaders will inspire us to ponder the Word of God, to deepen our faith that we may recognise God's action in our lives.
Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that those who undertake the responsibility of educating our young people will lead them in the way of truth and awaken in them a spirit of compassion and kindness.
Lord, hear us.

3. We pray for people throughout the world who are suffering because of war and violence. Lord, change the hearts of those who inflict the pain.
Lord, hear us.

4. We pray that we may humbly recognise and generously use the many gifts with which we have been blessed.
Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that those who are lonely and troubled will turn to You as their light and hope.
Lord, hear us.

6. We pause now for our own prayers. (** 5 second pause*)

Lord, hear us.

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd January 2023, Cycle A.

1. We pray for Christians throughout the world. Lord, grant us the spirit of wisdom and unity so that we may be one.
Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that those who feel alone will find in this community welcome and hospitality.
Lord, hear us.

3. We pray that mutual respect among nations and peoples will replace exploitation.
Lord, hear us.

4. We pray that we may value the wonder of human life and of all creation. Help us to treasure these gifts and to live gratefully in our universe.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray that you, Lord, will comfort us in times of loss and strengthen us with the courage to mourn.
Lord, hear us.

6. We pause now for our own prayers. (*** 5 second pause**)

Lord, hear us.

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29th 2023, Cycle A.

1. We pray that our Church leaders will be inspired with Gospel vision and reflect your love and compassion in the world.

Lord, hear us.

2. We pray that leaders of all faith communities will pursue dialogue with courage and openness.

Lord, hear us.

3. We pray for all who struggle for the basic necessities of life – nourishing food, pure water, fresh air and adequate housing.

Lord, hear us.

4. We pray for all who seek better ways to care for the earth and to harness its energies for the good of the human family.

Lord, hear us.

5. We pray for all who minister in your name. May they be beacons of hope for others.

Lord, hear us.

6. We pause now for our own prayers. (*** 5 second pause**)

Lord, hear us.

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