

## The Baptism of the Lord Bidding Prayers 10 January 2021

Everlasting God, as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us remember the importance of our own Baptism, and be filled with joy. Let us walk in your way, live our lives for you, and be mindful of your presence, day by day.

**Lord hear us. Lord Graciously hear us.**

We pray for Pope Francis, his cardinals, Bishops, Priests, Deacons and all in the religious life. May they guide those in their care, especially in these unprecedented times, whilst we are experiencing Lockdown, owing to the Covid 19 virus.

**Lord hear us. Lord Graciously hear us.**

We pray for all countries in conflict, that our Lord may look mercifully upon the sufferings of the people involved.

**Lord hear us. Lord Graciously hear us.**

We pray for our families and friends, may they always be close to us and feel our love and care for them.

**Lord hear us. Lord Graciously hear us.**

We pray for all in difficulties, the sick, bereaved, homeless and the lonely. May they feel the warmth of your love and existence?

**Lord hear us. Lord Graciously hear us.**

We pray for those who have died and for the friends and families who loved them. We give thanks for their lives well lived, and for the happy memories.

**Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.**

We now pray for our own intensions.

**Lord hear us. Lord Graciously hear us.**

Let us pray to our Mother Mary as we say, Hail Mary . . .

Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son Our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen