

**Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
Prayers of the Faithful**

Celebrant: On this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, when Christ was revealed as the Beloved Son, we turn to God our Father confident that he will hear and answer our prayers.

1. For the Church, that all who have been baptised will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to give united witness to the Lord. **Lord, hear us.**
2. For all in our parish, both children and adults, who will be baptised in the coming year. May the power of the Holy Spirit open them to a life of grace as members of the Body of Christ. **Lord, hear us.**
3. For peace with justice throughout the world, that all people will turn from hatred to love and from violence to peace. **Lord, hear us.**
4. 'I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandal.' For all called to a life of service in the church and society. May the grace of humility, compassion, and justice guide their ministry to others. **Lord, hear us.**
5. For all who prepare and support parents presenting their children for baptism; reward them for their commitment, example, and encouragement as faithful members of the Body of Christ. **Lord, hear us.**
6. We pray for those without clean water, adequate education, and sufficient health care. May we work for the basics of life for people in need. **Lord, hear us.**
7. For those who have died; may they share the glory of eternal life.
Lord, hear us.
8. *We pray to Our Mother Mary as we say, Hail Mary*

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, renew in us the grace of our Baptism so that we may reflect ever more faithfully the image of your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**