Season of Christmas: The Epiphany of the Lord General Intercessions

Priest

The Lord shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. At the beginning of this new year, we pray in hope for the Church and for the world.

Reader

 For all members of the Church; that we who are baptised into Christ will, by the life we lead, draw others to find the Saviour of the world.

PAUSE for silent prayer — at least **five** seconds. Repeat after each intention.

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

- 2. For peace throughout the world; we remember in particular the land where our Saviour was born, and all who suffer today because of their faith in the Lord Jesus.
- 3. For all who are unwell in body, mind, or spirit; that Christ our Saviour will fill them with courage and hope.
- 4. For pupils and students, teachers, and all who work in education; that the wisdom of God will find a home with them.
- For all of us gathered here;
 that our witness to the Saviour and our care of those in need
 will lead others to the light of Christ.
- 6. For all the faithful departed: those who have died recently, and all whose anniversary we keep; may they know the fullness of life with Christ their Saviour.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of our Saviour, to join her prayers with ours: Hail, Mary ...

Priest

God of mystery,
(on this day) you revealed your only Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star.
We know you now by faith;
lead us into that presence
where we shall behold your glory face to face.
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.