

Season of Ordinary Time : The Baptism of the Lord C

First Sunday in Ordinary Time

General Intercessions

Priest

The Spirit of God renews the face of the earth.

In this season of hope and blessing, we pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the Church;
that all of us who are baptised into Christ
will inspire others to recognise the Saviour.

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

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

2. For the nations of the world;
that the Christmas message of peace may bring healing to conflict and division
everywhere on earth.
3. For pupils and students,
for teachers, and all who work in education;
that the wisdom of God will inspire and direct them.
4. For all who are ill in body, mind, or spirit,
and for everyone who has asked us to pray for them.
5. For our parish, and all who worship with us today;
that our witness to the Saviour and care of those in need
will draw others to the mystery of Christ.
6. For the faithful departed, who have recognised Jesus as their Saviour;
that he will gather them to himself in the glory of the kingdom.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of our Saviour, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

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Almighty and eternal God,
when Christ was baptised in the river Jordan,
the Holy Spirit came upon him
and your voice declared him your beloved Son.
Keep all who are reborn of water and the Spirit
as children of adoption in whom you are well pleased.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.