

The Presentation of the Lord General Intercessions

Priest

The Lord has visited his people and redeemed them.
In the power of Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.

Reader

1. For all who profess the Jewish faith and observe the Law of Moses;
that they may be faithful to the covenant.

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

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

2. For all members of the Church;
that the quality of our witness will draw others to the light of Christ.
3. For governments and leaders;
that God's holy wisdom will direct them
to establish peace across the face of the earth;
we remember in particular all the peoples of the Holy Land region.
4. For families experiencing difficulties, tension, or hardship;
that the Saviour of the world may be their comfort.
5. For elderly people, especially those who feel neglected by their families;
may Simeon and Anna be their consolation.
6. For all the faithful departed;
that they may rejoice for ever in the light of Christ.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of our Saviour, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

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God of power and majesty,
your only-begotten Son,
having taken upon himself our flesh and blood,
was presented this day in the temple;
bring us also into your presence
with hearts that are cleansed and purified.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.