

**PRIEST:** As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord and remember our own calling as God's beloved children, let us bring our prayers before the Father who delights in us.

**READER:** Let us pray for the Church, Pope Leo, the world, and all God's people. May we all hear the Father's words, "You are my beloved," and live with faith, humility, and joy.

(Pause) **Lord hear us.** Response: **Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** Let us pray for the leaders of nations and all who hold responsibility in national and international affairs. May they work for justice, peace, and the dignity of every person.

(Pause) **Lord hear us.** Response: **Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** Let us pray for those preparing for baptism or confirmation this year, and for all who accompany them. May the Holy Spirit guide, strengthen, and inspire them.

(Pause) **Lord hear us.** Response: **Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** Let us pray for our parish family, especially those with young children. May we be a community where people are welcomed, valued, and encouraged to grow in faith.

(Pause) **Lord hear us.** Response: **Lord graciously hear us.**

**READER:** We pray for those who have died recently: **Joy Smith, Anthony Herron, Antonio Albini, Mary Nicholls, Michael Donnelly, Seamus Manley, Phil Walsh, Barbara Bolton, Mary Rita Johnston, Nora McGrogan, Monsignor Vaughan Morgan, Father David Keniry and Brenda Carney.** We remember those who lost their lives in the Swiss chalet fire tragedy. We also remember those with anniversaries at this time. (Pause)  
**Lord hear us.** Response: **Lord graciously hear us.** (Pause)

**READER:** We remember all who are sick, those in hospital and those who are housebound. We remember especially **Father Joseph, Angela Keating, Benjamín Wort, Lilian, Tony Duffy, Philomena Gallagher, Ken Shirley, Savio Baretto, Eddie Martin, Helen Brookes, Briege Williams, Jonathan Williams, Anthony O'Neill, Michael, Patrick, Aiden & Anne O'Donnell, Margaret Hughes, Paulina Samathar, Father Michael White, Breda Fleming, Juliana Benjamin, Kate Nelson, Wilson Cotton, Angela Hyland, Cornelius Callanan, Noreen O'Connor, Larry Perkins, Tom Duffy, Aggie O'Reilly, Bernadette Cawley, Stephen Jenkins, Patricia Butler** and our families wherever they may be. (Pause)  
**Lord hear us.** Response: **Lord graciously hear us.**

Let us ask Mary the Mother of the Lord to pray with us: **Hail Mary...** Now let us pray for a few moments in silence for our own needs and intentions and for those intentions placed in the prayer box.

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**PRIEST.** Heavenly Father, you call us your beloved children and anoint us with your Spirit. Hear the prayers we offer this day and make us faithful to the calling we received in baptism, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.