

BIDDING PRAYERS: FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
12 January 2025

- Priest:** Let us offer our prayers of intercession to the Father who as Jesus was baptised proclaimed Him to be His beloved Son.
- Reader:** For the Church; that the baptised people of God may witness with upright lives to a communion of faith transcending all boundaries of nation and race.
Lord hear usLord graciously hear us
- Reader:** For Francis, our Pope; may lead us by example to set our hearts not on human insight but on divine wisdom.
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- Reader:** For the world; that in the face of violence and war, believers may speak God’s tender word of comfort and herald the salvation of God to all.
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- Reader:** For those who have strayed from their baptismal commitment; may they hear the voice of Father calling out to them as His beloved and return to practise their faith more fully.
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- Reader:** For godparents; may they remember their duty to nourish the faith of those they have supported in Baptism.
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- Reader:** For our Parish; may we, as baptised members of the Church, reflect in our lives the loving kindness of God our Saviour.
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- Reader:** Let us remember today the intentions for which our Masses are offered this weekend.
Also, all the faithful departed especially those who have died recently including Paul Mather; may they rest in peace and rise in glory.
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- Reader:** Let us pray for our own private intentions; (pause). We ask Mary, our Mother, to join her prayers to ours: **Hail Mary ...**
- Priest:** God Our Father, hear these petitions which your people place before you on this day. May we grow in an ever-deeper appreciation of his real presence among us. We make all our prayers through Christ Our Lord, Amen.