

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2014

RESPONSE; LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

1. Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. We pray that we be given the grace and strength to be faithful to the promises of our baptism and live truly Christian lives.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

2. We pray for all new-born babies, and for all who will soon be baptised, that they be blessed in body and spirit in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

3. We pray for the baptised throughout the world, that love and unity among Christians may grow and be a shining example to all mankind.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

4. In today's Second Reading, St Paul reminds us that God does not have favourites but all good men and women of any nationality are acceptable to him. May we ourselves and those close to us remember this message and work for the elimination of racism in our country today.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

5. We join with Pope Francis in praying that all the Church may be steeped in the joy of evangelising, so that we can all be disciple-missionaries, small stars that reflect His light.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

6. We remember in silence our own personal intentions and the intentions of those who have asked for our prayers (*pause for 5 seconds*)

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer