

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2014
RESPONSE; LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

1. In today's Gospel, we read these words about Jesus - He was in the world, yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own did not accept him. We pray today for the grace in our daily lives to both know and accept our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

2./We remember in our prayers today all those who have been so badly affected by the bad weather conditions in our country and we pray that our communities may care for our elderly people at such a time

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

3. We remember Pope Francis as he prepares for the Church Synod on the Family in October next. We pray that the Spirit guide him and the bishops, so that our Church can be a place where all families are welcome and can fully participate in the worship of our God.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

4. We pray for greater support for family life in our Irish society. We pray that our government will recognise the importance of the family as they make political and economic decisions in these difficult times for all.

We pray to the Lord

R. Lord, hear our prayer

5. 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