

Epiphany of the Lord (4 January 2026)  
Prayers of the Faithful

1. We pray for God's light to shine upon the church, her people and her ministers; for ministers of the Word, and ministers to the poor; for educators in the faith, parents, grandparents, and all who dispel the darkness of the world with God's light ... we pray to the Lord.
2. We pray for peace among nations and communities, and within our own families; for the conversion of hardened hearts; for a willingness to seek and grant forgiveness; and for an end to racial prejudice, religious intolerance, and divisive politics ... we pray to the Lord.
3. We pray for those who sit on the fringes of society; for those caught in a cycle of poverty and despair; for those society does not see or hear, the vulnerable, the underprivileged, and those in prison; and for the healing of our brokenness ... we pray to the Lord.
4. We pray for patience and courage as we face the challenges that come with forming a cohesive and welcoming society; for an end to division, intolerance, and the exclusion of those who differ from us ... we pray to the Lord.
5. We pray for the sick, the homebound, the disabled, and those who live with chronic pain, addiction, and mental health issues; for those suffering from seasonal cold and flu; and for those who care for them; we pray also for Linda Bronski; Mary Ann Fitzgerald; Sue Sanders; Kiet Nguyen (Nwín);  
Christine Eacho (Eco);  
... that they know God's care and comfort ... we pray to the Lord.
6. We pray for those who have gone from us to eternal life, our loved ones we miss dearly, and those whom no one remembers; and for all who grieve their passing; we pray especially for Jen-I (Jen-eye) DeBetta (da-bet-uh); Maureen Sullivan; Robert Walsh;  
Elpidio Montano Gomez; Donald Schildkamp; Kim Van Nguyen (Nwín);  
Jackie Meadows; Joan Welsh—wife of Chuck Welsh; Minnie Valentin;  
Ken Hanula, Jr.—son of Ken Hanula, Sr.;  
... that they find peace in God's eternal embrace ... we pray to the Lord.