

Prayers of the Faithful

Solemnity of Christmas

December 24–25, 2019

Presider: *Glorious and radiant God, you pitched your tent among us and became one of us that we might become one with you. Fill our hearts with joy and hear the prayers we make in the name of Jesus, our Prince of Peace.*

Lector:

For the Church: that our daily witness and ministry of mercy and compassion, may promote peace on earth and good will to all, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For peoples of every race and nation, may the celebration of the birth of our Savior encourage a new birth of righteousness and justice, harmony and understanding throughout the world, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those bowed down by injustice or despair, for refugees and the undocumented, for the unemployed, the homeless and all the poor: that Jesus who came into the world as one who was destitute and marginalized will inspire our care and concern for them, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For children, may they know of Christ's love for them so that they may grow in generosity and charity with hearts full of love and service, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For family and friends near and far, for the sick, hospitalized and homebound, for those who mourn or are away from home in military service, for the incarcerated and those who have no one to pray for them, may the Good News of Christmas mark an end for them of any darkness and fear to begin a dawn of light and joy, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all our beloved dead, may the Savior whose appearing they longed for gladden them with the vision of heaven's glory, we pray...**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: *God, you dwell among us as the Prince of Peace, help us in our support and love for one another to experience the joy of Christmas. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Word made flesh, Lord and Savior forever and ever. AMEN.*