

C—Epiphany 1: The Baptism of Our Lord

Presider or deacon

As we celebrate the baptism of Christ, let us offer prayers to God who washes us in the blood of the Lamb.

Deacon or other leader

By the baptism of the Son of God in the river Jordan.

Lord, have mercy.

For *N* our bishop and the presbyters, for the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

Lord, have mercy.

For *NN* our catechumen(s) and for their families and sponsors.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who seek Christ, and for the conversion of the whole human race.

Lord, have mercy.

For mercy, peace, and justice throughout the world.

Lord, have mercy.

For all those in danger and need: the sick and the suffering, the hungry and the oppressed, and those in prison.

Lord, have mercy.

For the dying and the dead.

Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering the blessed Virgin Mary, *N*, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord.**

Presider

Holy One of Israel, who breathed across the waters of creation, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast, lead us by your Spirit through water and blood, and quench our thirst at the table of your Son; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**