

Feast of the Epiphany

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant:

On this Feast of the Epiphany, when the light of Christ was revealed to all the nations of the world, we turn to God our Father, confident that he will hear and answer our prayers.

1. For the whole Church, that all who follow Jesus will lead others to Christ by the example of their lives. **Lord, hear us.**
2. May the light of Christ shine with wisdom over the Catholic Church in Ireland. As we actively engage with the synodal path, may we seek to understand the promptings of the Holy Spirit. **Lord, hear us.**
3. As the Magi ‘returned to their own country by a different way’, we pray for all who travel by land, air, or sea. May their journey be one of safety and may they be blessed in the people they meet on the way. **Lord, hear us.**
4. For all who are seeking meaning and purpose in their lives that, at the end of their searching, they will come to recognise Christ as the source of wisdom and light in the world. **Lord, hear us.**
5. The Magi came from the east to worship the Lord, Jesus. We pray for all who adore the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. May they recognise Jesus in the mystery of the Eucharist. **Lord, hear us.**
6. May the light of the Christ-child overcome the devastation and fear caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. May God keep us connected in spirit and love during this time of social distancing and restricted movement. **Lord, hear us.**

7. For all who are sick or suffering, neglected or bereaved, that the light of Christ will lead them out of darkness with renewed hope. **Lord, hear us.**

8. We pray for all who have died; may they share in the glory of the Lord in the new Jerusalem. **Lord, hear us.**

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God of love, may your justice and the fullness of your peace flourish in our time, so that all people may pay homage to you. We ask all these prayers through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**