

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

CYCLE A

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: In the birth of Our Lady, we see the Father's plan for the world's redemption entering its final stage. With Mary at our side, let us pray to the God who created her "full of grace."

Our response is: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. That the Church may fearlessly proclaim the Gospel committed to her by Mary's Son.

Let us pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That we will give all mothers love and respect. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That Mary's prayers will bring back those who have fallen away from the practice of their faith. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That we may welcome Jesus in the Eucharist as God-with-us. Let us pray to the Lord.

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Father, in this Eucharist your family rejoices, with blessed Mary, and Joachim and Anne, her parents. Grant what we ask for in faith, through Christ our Lord.

Response: *Amen.*