THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD  A5
February 2

Priest Celebrant  Take refuge in the God and Father, who has taught us to hope and trust from our youth:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For our Holy Father, his brother bishops, priests, and deacons ordained to preach Jesus’ Way of faith, hope, and love, let us pray to the Lord:

For parents, the first teachers in the Way of Jesus; for our teachers of Christian doctrine who assist them, let us pray to the Lord:

For our schools and their students, principals, teachers, and staffs; for education in the faith throughout the Church, let us pray to the Lord:

For the safety of human life at every stage; for leaders who promote the material and spiritual good of their peoples, let us pray to the Lord:

For the recognition of God’s glory in the arts and sciences, let us pray to the Lord:

For the freedom and self-determination of the peoples of the Near and Mid-East and of central Asia; for the relief of every oppressed people, let us pray to the Lord:

For our sick and aging [ ]; for the many who attend to the sick, the poor, the addicted, the imprisoned, let us pray to the Lord:

For the deceased members of our parish; for the war dead and everyone else who has died recently [especially ]; let us pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant  Teach us to declare your justice, Father, and to proclaim your wondrous deeds in every word and action. Through Christ our Lord.
ST. JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY A5
March 19

Priest Celebrant With Joseph, confidently speak to our Father, whose kindness is established for ever.

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For the Vicar of Christ, his brother bishops, priests, and deacons, let us pray to the Lord:

For fidelity in marriage and in all our vocations; for parenting in the example of St. Joseph; for families in distress and anyone in vocational crisis, let us pray to the Lord:

For practical recognition of the dignity of labor and for just wages; for the unemployed and underemployed, let us pray to the Lord:

For the safety of our children and the healing of the abused, let us pray to the Lord:

For local and national leaders; for responsible application of earth’s resources and the sharing of them with the world’s poor, let us pray to the Lord:

For peace in the homeland of Joseph and its neighbors; for the relief of civilians and the safe return of the military, let us pray to the Lord:

For our sick [ and everyone who takes care of them, let us pray to the Lord:

For [ our beloved dead; for the grace of a happy death, let us pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant O God our Father, our Rock and Savior, whose covenant stands firm forever, pour forth your kindness upon us and upon all your children for whom we pray. Through Christ our Lord.
Priest Celebrant  Let us pray to be one with Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, and to say with Him, “Behold, I come to do your will”:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For the Church universal, born of Mary at the foot of the Cross, we pray to the Lord:

For our Holy Father and his brother bishops, priests and deacons; for all the people of Christ and their unity in his one Body, we pray to the Lord:

For the protection of every child, born and to be born; for the provision of every child’s needs, we pray to the Lord:

For the homeland of the Word made flesh and the Jewish people; for reconciliation and forgiveness among the children of Abraham, we pray to the Lord:

For peace in the Near- and Mid-East and Central Asia; for an end to terrorism, religious, and political oppression, we pray to the Lord:

For the sanctity and support of marriage; for the married desirous of children; for adoptive parents, we pray to the Lord:

For the addicted, the imprisoned, their families and attendants, we pray to the Lord:

For our war-injured and our sick [ ], we pray to the Lord:

For the war-dead and everyone else who has died recently [in particular ], we pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant  “Hail Mary, ….”
Pray confidently to the Father who knit us in our mothers’ wombs, and knows our souls full well:

That the obedience of Mary, Elizabeth, and Zechariah characterize every Christian believer, let us pray to the Lord:

That the Church heed the Baptist’s call to repentance, let us pray to the Lord:

That our words and actions – like John the Baptist’s - point out the presence of the Lamb of God in today’s world, let us pray to the Lord:

That celebrating John’s birth strengthen our dedication to human life, born and yet to be born, let us pray to the Lord:

That our diocese and all Christ’s Church be blessed with priests devoted to worship, preaching, and service, let us pray to the Lord:

That, through the intercession of St. John, Israel, Palestine, with all the Mid- and Near-East, submit to Jesus’ gift of peace, let us pray to the Lord:

That the war-wounded, and all our sick [ ] accept the healing comfort of God’s saving word, let us pray to the Lord:

That [ ] our deceased follow the Lamb into the fulness of God’s Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

Strengthen your servants, Father, to bear your light to the nations and your salvation to the ends of the earth. Who live and reign for ever and ever.
Priest Celebrant

Whatever we ask
in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene,
our Father will bestow:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For Francis, the Vicar of Peter, and his diocese of Rome;
for __________, our Bishop, and our [Arch]diocese of_____________________,
we pray to the Lord:

For the unity of Christ’s one flock, under the one Shepherd,
we pray to the Lord:

For missionaries and their fruitful proclamation of the Gospel,
we pray to the Lord:

For our teachers of Christian doctrine
and everyone who proclaims the Triune God, Creator and Redeemer,
we pray to the Lord:

For the leaders of the world’s peoples;
for progress in Jesus’ way of peace,
we pray to the Lord:

For the safety of the unborn and of every human being;
for the responsible and equitable sharing of earth’s resources,
we pray to the Lord:

For doctors, nurses, and all care-givers;
for our sick [ ],
we pray to the Lord:

For [ ],
our war-dead, and everyone who has died in Christ,
we pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant

Through the intercession of Saints Peter and Paul,
Father, we pray: grant us to live always in you
and to serve the children your Son has redeemed.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Priest Celebrant

In, through, and with the Beloved Son, let us lift our prayer to his and our Father:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For Christ’s Church - his lamp shining in a dark place, his beacon of redemption, and hope to a sinful world, let us pray to the Lord:

For obedience to Christ’s prayer that all be one, let us pray to the Lord:

For governments that recognize God’s sovereign laws and lead their peoples in security, justice, and mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

For freedom from terror and threats of destruction from racial, sexual, political or economic oppression, let us pray to the Lord:

For our brothers and sisters who bear the brunt of natural disasters; for everyone who has lost home or livelihood, let us pray to the Lord:

For the wise use of land, sea and sky with all their gifts; for our children’s future access to them, let us pray to the Lord:

For our sisters and brothers who bear Jesus’ cross of suffering, let us pray to the Lord:

For the resurrection in Christ Jesus of everyone who has died in Him, let us pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant

All honor to you, Father, whose glory suffuses the heavens and the earth. Keep our hearts and minds on your Risen Son. Who lives with you, now and for ever.
ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
August 15

Priest Celebrant  
With Mary, trust in God, who is merciful from age to age:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

That the Church on earth rejoice with Mary in worship and service, let us pray to the Lord:

That catechumens and everyone searching for faith take inspiration from Mary’s Assumption - body and soul - into God's Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

That all who bear Christ’s name honor His Mother and come to unity in Him, let us pray to the Lord:

That Mary’s native land, its neighbors, and every suffering land embrace the peace of her Assumption, let us pray to the Lord:

That the peace of Mary’s Assumption free the world of war, terrorism, and nuclear threats, let us pray to the Lord:

That the homeless, the rejected, and victims of violence find strength and healing with Mary at the foot of the Cross, let us pray to the Lord:

That the war-injured and our sick [ ] take refuge in Mary, our Mother, let us pray to the Lord:

That [ , and all] our deceased be one with Mary in the Risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant  
Raise up your servants, Lord, and give every good thing to the hungry. In Mary, be blessed, now and for ever.
Priest Celebrant: In the Sign of the Cross, let us pray:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader:

For our Holy Father and his brother bishops, priests and deacons; for the laity and consecrated religious - all born of the Cross into life eternal, let us pray to the Lord:

For the unity of Christians under the one Cross; for the spread of its Gospel of salvation throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord:

For our president and governor, senators and representatives; for everyone who serves the public safety and the common weal, let us pray to the Lord:

For our parents, brothers, sisters, and relatives, our friends, neighbors, and co-workers, let us pray to the Lord:

For students at every level and in every country; for their progress in God’s blessings of the arts and sciences, let us pray to the Lord:

For the homeless, the hungry, the sick; for the relief of civilians and the military, wherever war resists the Cross; let us pray to the Lord:

For healing, which comes only from embracing the Cross; for [ ] our chronically ill, let us pray to the Lord:

For the victims of crime, war, and all our beloved dead [especially ], let us pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant: God our Father, accept our thanks for Jesus, your Son, who has saved us by his holy Cross. Send your Spirit upon and within us, to walk solely in Jesus’ path to his saving Cross. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Priest Celebrant

As God's children, pray for the many to accept our Father’s love and to grow in holiness:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

That poverty of spirit characterize the prayer and worship, the charity and service of Christ’s Church on earth, let us pray to the Lord:

That the celebration of All Saints foster the unity of his Body, let us pray to the Lord:

That catechumens and candidates for full communion embrace the beatitudes, in the example of God’s Holy Ones, let us pray to the Lord:

That our children grow in meekness, mercy, and purity of heart; that servants of peace rescue the persecuted and oppressed, let us pray to the Lord:

That hunger for righteousness heal the wounds of terrorism and war, let us pray to the Lord:

That officials foster human life at every stage and practice preferential service to the poor, let us pray to the Lord:

That our sick abide in the holiness of Christ's suffering, [today in particular], let us pray to the Lord:

That our deceased be one with the Lamb and his Holy Ones in the Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant

Amen! Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to you, God and Father, now, and for ever. Through Christ our Lord.
Priest Celebrant  With confidence, we pray to the Father, whose Son gave his life for our salvation:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

For our Holy Father, his brother bishops, priests and deacons; for consecrated religious, and all Christ's holy people, we pray to the Lord:

For our country, its leaders, and the leaders of every people, we pray to the Lord:

For a resolution to war, terror, religious and civil persecution; for the control of nuclear and all weapons; for security in our homes and schools, our streets and public institutions, we pray to the Lord:

For our brothers and sisters who have given their lives for their country; for the police and the countless innocent victims murdered this year, we pray to the Lord:

For everyone who grieves a spouse, a child, a parent, relative, friend, we pray to the Lord:

For our deceased parents, children, relatives, and friends; for the many who enriched our lives in this world, we pray to the Lord:

For the healing of estrangements, we pray to the Lord:

For the parishioners we laid to rest from our church this year, and every soul who obeyed our Creator and Redeemer in this world, we pray to the Lord:

Priest Celebrant  Father, Creator and Redeemer, take our dead to your heavenly home, and increase our desire to dwell in your house. Through Christ our Lord.
As living stones of God’s holy temple, speak with confidence to the Father, who dwells within and among us:

For our Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome; for his diocese of Rome and its Cathedral of the Holy Savior, we pray to the Lord:

For his brother bishops, priests, and deacons, and all servants of Christ’s Body; for missionaries at home and abroad, we pray to the Lord:

For catechumens and for our candidates to Confirmation, Eucharist, Reconciliation, Matrimony, Holy Orders, we pray to the Lord:

For teachers of Christian doctrine and everyone who opens young minds and hearts to God’s truth and beauty, we pray to the Lord:

For our brothers and sisters who suffer for their faith; for victims of discrimination based on race or language, politics or economics, age or sex, we pray to the Lord:

For peace in the Mid-East, Central Asia, and wherever war looms; for security in our homes and on our streets, in public and private institutions, we pray to the Lord:

For our sick, and everyone whose life in this world grows short, we pray to the Lord:

For , and ] all our faithful departed, we pray to the Lord:

Gather us, Father, into that holy dwelling that is the Risen Body of your Only-Begotten Son. Be our refuge and strength, our stronghold forever. Through Christ our Lord.
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  A5
December 8

Priest Celebrant  With Mary, look to the Lord, who does marvelous deeds:

Deacon/Cantor/Reader

(Option: Our Advent response is, **Come, Lord Jesus!**)

Bless your Church, Father, our [Arch]diocese and Parish with the grace and faith of the Immaculate Conception.
For this, we pray:

Instill her virtues in our country.
Enlighten our president and governors, legislators and judges to safeguard and promote all human life.
For this, we pray:

Heal our society of materialism. Keep it mindful of its duties to the poor.
Form us, in the Immaculate Conception, to rely on you alone,
For this, we pray:

Rescue the world from terror.
Guide its leaders in the quest for security and freedom.
Preserve the armed forces and the innocent from harm.
For this, we pray:

Rescue the victims of Pearl Harbor and World War Two, of the Korean Conflict, the Cold War, Vietnam, the Gulf Wars, Iraq, Afghanistan, and of the countless conflicts that continue to plague a fragile world.
For this, we pray:

Overshadow our sick with your mercy [especially our sisters and brothers whose earthly lives grow short.]
For this, we pray:

Take to the kingdom, with Jesus and Mary, [everyone who has died recently.]
For this, we pray:

Priest Celebrant  Enable us, Father of heaven and earth, to say with Mary, the Immaculate Conception: “Be it done to me according to your word”, and so to live with you, world without end. Through Christ our Lord.