

**The Nativity of the Lord****Year A**

Wednesday, December 25, 2019

Readings: 1) Isaiah 52:7-10    2) Hebrews 1:1-6    3) John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

**Sunday Liturgy**

The focus for today is: The *light of the human race*, Jesus the Word made flesh, dwells now among us.

We are called to give the gift of the Light of Christ to a world buried in darkness. With God's grace we have the power to disperse the darkness.

Isaiah calls the people to break out in song for their salvation is at hand. In the Letter to the Hebrews, the author speaks of the glory of God and what the Son has accomplished. The first chapter of John's Gospel tells us that Jesus as the Word of God was present in the beginning and he is *the light of the human race*.

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS****PRIEST:**

With thanksgiving for the Son of God we celebrate today, let us bring our prayers and those of a fallen world to the Father who redeems us.

**For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and all who lead and teach the faith, may God bless them with joy in their discipleship.**

We Pray to the Lord. Hear our prayer.

**For all who do justice, working for peace in a violent world.**

We Pray to the Lord. Hear our prayer.

**For those who are sick in mind, body and spirit; may the Lord's promises provide them with hope and strength.**

We Pray to the Lord. Hear our prayer.

**For all those who have died, may they experience the salvation of Christ in heaven.**

We Pray to the Lord. Hear our prayer.

**For all members of this faith community, may the Lord grant us a spirit of joy.**

We Pray to the Lord. Hear our prayer.

**For our own personal intentions.**

We Pray to the Lord. Hear our prayer.

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