Universal Prayer
Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
December 24 & 25

We pray for all members of the Church: that Christ will be born anew in our hearts so that God may be shown to all who live in darkness and are in need of hope.

We pray for all who have been away from the Church. May the Holy Spirit rekindle the desire in their hearts to come home and receive God’s grace through the Sacraments of the Church.

We pray for healing among the human family: that God, who became human, will help us recognize the dignity of each person who was made in his image and likeness.

We pray for a deeper sense of gratitude for our blessings. May God’s spirit of abundance inspire us to give lavishly of our gifts as we seek to build God’s Kingdom on earth.

We pray that children will be welcomed into this world with love and joy, and that their parents will be uplifted and affirmed as they nurture their new gift from God.

We pray in gratitude for the first responders and all other public service workers who will spend this holiday away from their loved ones caring for others.

During this season of joy, we pray for those suffering from grief due to the death of a loved one, divorce, or other difficult situations. May our care for them be a light in their darkness.

We pray that the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, will rest in peace…

4:30  …and for Eleanor Thoman who is remembered in this Mass.

11:00  …and for Wally & Virginia Woods – William & Donnalene Butler – and Bob Waeltz who are remembered in this Mass.

10:00  …and for Michael & Jane Gaertner – and Peggy Berens who are remembered in this Mass.