Prayers for Mary, Mother of God – January 1, 2017

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came as a gift to us and to the simple shepherds: Lord, have mercy.

Christ Jesus, your coming was pondered in Mary's heart: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you came to be with and among us all: Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Presider Let us turn to the God who comes among us and pray for our needs and the needs of the whole world.

Lector: For the church: that we may embody the meaning of God's presence among all people ... we pray,

- For peace in our world, especially where peace is absent or fragile ... we pray,
- For those who have forgotten that we are called to be signs of God's presence ... we pray,
- For all mothers and for those who mother us by showing God's presence in our lives ... we pray,
- For mothers or fathers who parent alone or in dangerous situations, poverty or fear ... we pray,
- For those without loving parents or assurance that God is with us ... we pray,
- For those who need encouragement as we begin a new year ... we pray,
- For the sick, the dying and the grieving among us; and for those who have died we pray,

Saturday/Sábado, December 31, 2016

5:00 pm no intentions (do not read this)

Sunday/Domingo, January 1, 2017

8:30 am no intentions (do not read this) 10:30 am no intentions (do not read this) 12:30 pm no intentions (do not read this)

Presider God who came to live among us, we thank you for those who show us who you are. We thank you especially for the gift of Mary, whom we honor by many titles. Grant us the courage to be signs of your presence to others. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. Amen.