

Prayer of Christ's Presence

Loving God, Father, Mother of our being,
recall to my heart always
your tender love and faithfulness.
Like children who can look eagerly
toward their mother's kiss
and their father's embrace,
may I run freely toward your open arms,
yielding myself totally
to the joy you hold out to me.

Amen

Taste & See – Jacqueline Syrup Bergan & S.
Marie Schwan. St Mary's Press, 1996

Where two or three are
gathered. . .



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Putting Christ at the Center

Ordinary Time

January 15, 2012 – February 19, 2012

A Faith Formation Effort of the
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Introduction:

Leader: God, come to our assistance.

All: Lord, make haste to help us.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.


Reading: Read aloud the Gospel Reading for Sunday.

Using the questions on the opposite page that correspond to the Gospel reading, reflect and share your insights.

Petitions: (optional)

Leader: Gathering our prayers into one, let us pray the prayer our Savior taught us. Our Father....

Blessing:

Leader:  (making the sign of the cross)
May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

At the conclusion of the meeting, you are invited to pray a prayer of thanksgiving. Use your own prayer or one on the back page of this leaflet.

Gospel Readings:

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| Jan 15 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | Jn 1:35-42 |
| | ▪ In what ways do I live out Jesus' teaching, as I share my life with others? | |
| Jan 22 | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mk 1:14-20 |
| | ▪ What can I do this week to invite a friend or neighbor to follow Christ? | |
| Jan 29 | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mk 1:21-28 |
| | ▪ Who or what is the "authority" in your life? Who lays claim to your time and energy? | |
| Feb 5 | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mk 1:29-39 |
| | ▪ How has Christ's healing power been manifested in your life? | |
| Feb 12 | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mk 1:40-45 |
| | ▪ How do I invite "outsiders" into my parish community, or make them feel welcome? | |
| Feb 19 | Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mk 2:1-12 |
| | ▪ How hard is it for me to forgive those who have sinned against me? What makes it difficult? Why is it important? | |

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