## Intentions for Prayer Christmas & The Holy Family

That all Christians may joyfully proclaim the birth of our Saviour and transform the world through word and deed:

Lord, hear us ...

That those who dwell in the darkness of suffering, especially as a result of violence or conflict, may see the light of the Lord:

Lord, hear us ...

That all families may welcome the Christ-child into their homes, and may all those who are alone or away from their loved ones nonetheless experience the peace and joy of Christ:

Lord, hear us ...

That Christ, born as our Saviour, may soften hearts that are hardened to the rights of the unborn:

Lord, hear us ...

That our society and culture may treasure family life and promote its well-being: *Lord, hear us ...* 

For an end to this pandemic; that widespread vaccination may prove successful and that nations may work together and neighbours help one another:

Lord, hear us ...

For doctors, nurses, healthcare workers and carers; that they may be sustained in their service and bring healing and help to all who are in their care during this time of pandemic:

Lord, hear us ...

For those who must endure a time of self-isolation or make the sacrifice of shielding for another; that they may have reward for their goodness:

Lord, hear us ...

For the sick, the suffering and the fearful; that they may be comforted by the advent of God's peace into their hearts:

Lord, hear us ...

That those who grieve for their departed loved ones may be consoled by the promise and joy of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Lord, hear us ...

May the Mother of God assist us as we pray: Hail, Mary...