

Please bring this sheet home with you to use this week with your family!

# Holy Cross at Home

## A Daily Prayer and Meditation Guide

For the Week of the Baptism of Our Lord  
January 8, 2023 through January 14, 2023

The Epiphany is the great celebration of the revealing (Greek: *epiphaneia*) of our Lord Jesus Christ to all nations, as evidenced by the visit of the Wise Men, the Baptism of Christ in the Jordan, and the miracle of changing water into wine. The climactic scene of Epiphany is the glorious Transfiguration of our Lord, which will be celebrated the Sunday immediately before Ash Wednesday. May the Lord bless you and those with whom you pray, and may He graciously bring us back together in worship as the Body of Christ, as we see the great, final Day approaching.

### Order of Daily Prayer

Invocation ✠

Apostles' Creed (see *LSB* p. 286)

Memory verse for the week: 1 Timothy 3:6

*"He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil".*

Psalm of the Week: Psalm 29

*Psalm Prayer:* Grant, O Lord, strength to Your people against the ills of all adversity, enrich us with the blessing of Your peace, that in the abundance of our quiet we may give all glory to You in Your temple, and forgetting the misfortunes of this life, may ever render to You honor and praise; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Readings:	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
January 8	Ezekiel 34:1-24	Romans 3:19-31
January 9	Ezekiel 36:13-28	Romans 4:1-25
January 10	Ezekiel 36:33—37:14	Romans 5:1-21
January 11	Ezekiel 37:15-28	Romans 6:1-23
January 12	Ezekiel 38:1-23	Romans 7:1-20
January 13	Ezekiel 39:1-29	Romans 7:21—8:17
January 14	Ezekiel 43:1-12	Romans 8:18-39
January 15	Ezekiel 44:1-29	Romans 9:1-18

Hymn of the Week: *LSB* 401 "From God the Father, Virgin-Born"

Catechism for the Week: Table of Duties (see *LSB* p. 328)

*To Children*

*Collect for the Baptism of Our Lord:*

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Collect:*

Lord God, heavenly Father, who in mercy hast established the Christian home among us: We beseech Thee so to rule and direct our hearts, that we may be good examples to children and servants, and not offend them by word or deed, but faithfully teach them to love Thy Church and hear Thy blessed word. Give them Thy Spirit and grace, that this seed may bring forth good fruit, so that our homelife may conduce to Thy glory, honor and praise, to our own improvement and welfare, and give offense to no one; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

For God's blessings as we begin the new year

For those who are estranged from the Church or have never known Christ  
For the children of our Early Childhood Center, Preschool and their families  
For Holy Cross members who have not attended Divine Service recently

For Irene Anderson, Alan & Glorine Bahl, Margery Baresel, Jeanne Beck,  
Rev. Richard Bolland, Tim & Alarice Carrao, Bryan, Tripp Hughes, Marian  
Johnson, Sharon Kernes, Kay Medick, Carl Radke, Ron Ringstad, John  
Schroeder, Darrell Schulz, Nat & Joyce Serfass and Blanch Weymuth.

Lord's Prayer ☩

Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer or Prayers at the Family Table

V: Let us bless the Lord!

R: Thanks be to God!

Blessing: The Lord Almighty bless us and direct our days and our deeds  
in ☩ His peace. Amen.

Looking Forward to Next Week:

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15, 2023

Hymns: 399; 402; 395; 636; 408

Readings: Psalm 111; Exodus 33:12-23; Romans 12:6-16; John 2:1-11