The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer*

*for the Baptism of Our Lord*

*January 12, 2025*

*Pray and confess aloud as much from the order of meditation and prayer, as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

***Invocation* -In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**Verse:** James 5:16 – Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Psalm of the Week: Psalm 145**

**Bible Readings for the Week**

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| **Day** | **New Testament Reading** | **Old Testament Reading** |
| Monday | John 1:29-34 | Genesis 8:1-22 |
| Tuesday | John 1:35-42 | Genesis 11:1-9 |
| Wednesday | John 1:43-51 | Genesis 12:1-20 |
| Thursday | Luke 4:1-13 | Genesis 13:1-18 |
| Friday | Mark 1:12-15 | Genesis 14:8-24 |
| Saturday or  **Confession of St. Peter** | Matthew 4:12-17 or  **Mark 8:27-35, 36-9:1** | Genesis 15:1-21 or  **Acts 4:8-13** |

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| **Catechism: Holy Baptism** | **Grades** |
| What does such baptizing with water indicate?  It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever. | 3rd+ |
| Where is this written?  St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six | 1st+ |
| We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death | K+ |
| in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.” (Romans 6:4) | 2nd+ |