

## Intercessions for Adoption

*For Adoptive Families, Adopted Children, and Couples Considering Adoption*

Intercessions to be included with the Prayer of the Faithful. From the following intentions those most appropriate for the occasion may be used, or other appropriate intentions may be composed.

Deacon or Reader:

**For families who have welcomed children into their homes through adoption, that God might give them wisdom as they help their children navigate the unique joys and challenges they may face, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**For couples as they discern their call to motherhood and fatherhood through adoption, that they may prayerfully consider adoption or fostering as a means of extending God's love through their families to children in need, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**For those who have been adopted, that they know the unconditional love of their adoptive family and feel the support and comfort of their communities, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**For birth mothers and birth fathers, that the Lord would comfort them in their grief of being unable to raise their children, help them in their trials, and allow them to know how deeply loved they are by the Father, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**For children in need of adoption throughout the world, that they find loving Christian families to open their hearts and homes to them, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**For grandparents who are raising their grandchildren, that God might sustain them and reward them for their goodness and faith, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

**For all children, that they are blessed with the understanding that they are beloved and precious gifts from God, regardless of their past or present circumstances, we pray to the Lord.**

**R/.** Lord, hear our prayer.

*Adapted from the Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb.*