Prayers of Intercession (Prayers of the Faithful)

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Four FREE and EASY Ways to Help the Caregivers in Your Parish

1. Add "and for their caregivers":

--when praying during Mass for members of the parish who are ill --when listing sick members' names in the parish bulletin.

- 2. Add a link to www.YourAgingParent.com on your parish Web site ("Spirituality, Information and Resources for Catholic Caregivers")
- 3. Include CatholicCaregiving.com Bulletin Briefs in your parish bulletin: www.catholiccaregivers.com/bulletin_briefs.htm
- 4. Order free material for family caregivers from YourAgingParent.com: <u>www.youragingparent.com/order_form_091022.pdf</u>

Friday, January 1, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21 That Our Lady in Need and St. John the Caregiver will continue to intercede for all care-receivers and caregivers throughout this year, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, January 2, The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12 For all family caregivers: May they realize that by their acts of kindness and service to their loved ones they are also offering gifts of love to Christ himself, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, January 9, The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17 For spousal caregivers: May the grace they received at baptism help give them the strength and courage to live out their marriage vows in sickness and in health, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34 That the gifts of the Holy Spirit will fill the hearts and homes of all caregivers and care-receivers, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, January 23, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23-9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 For all those living the vocation of caregiver: May they better realize that just as Jesus invited Peter and Andrew to become his apostles, God has called them to the vital – and challenging – apostolate of taking care of a loved one, we pray to the Lord.

Sunday, January 30, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a That former caregivers mourning the death of their loved one will be comforted, we pray to the Lord.

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