

Suggested Intercessions for the Prayer of the Faithful

Please choose some of the following to be included among the intercessions in your parish Liturgy during National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week.

For Pope Benedict XVI: that he may be granted wisdom and familial love as he leads the Church to reverence marriage and the family, we pray to the Lord,

For priests, deacons and lay ecclesial leaders: that they may be inspired to integrate God's loving design for marriage and the family in their ministries, we pray to the Lord,

For Natural Family Planning teachers: that they may be filled with encouragement and devotion as they teach couples about God's design for married love and the gift of life, we pray to the Lord,

For diocesan Natural Family Planning staff: that their work may be blessed and strengthened as they help the faithful understand and embrace God's gifts of human sexuality, marriage and family, we pray to the Lord,

For engaged couples: that they may grow in fidelity, generosity and love for God and for each other, we pray to the Lord,

For newly married couples: that they may not delay opening their hearts to accepting children from God, we pray to the Lord,

For married couples: that they may be given the grace to welcome new life into their families, we pray to the Lord,

For married couples: that they might give witness to the beauty of their sacrament and be an instrument for the conversion of others, we pray to the Lord,

For married couples experiencing difficulties in their relationship: that they may persevere in love and faithfulness to each other, we pray to the Lord,

For infertile married couples: that they may be consoled and guided to adopt children, we pray to the Lord,

For children: that they may be a source of blessings to their parents, we pray to the Lord,

For children who are suffering: that they may be helped by loving family and friends, we pray to the Lord,