

## Petitions for December 8 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1. For God's holy Church, for increased devotion to Mary and grace to imitate her virtues,  
**We Pray to the Lord.**
2. For rulers of nations, elected officials, and civic leaders, for commitment to lift up the lowly and fill the hungry with good things,  
**We Pray to the Lord.**
3. For mothers, for expectant mothers, for single mothers, and for infants and children, especially those who live in poverty,  
**We Pray to the Lord.**
4. For the most vulnerable – the unborn, the poor, the elderly – and for a heightened awareness of the sanctity of life,  
**We Pray to the Lord.**
5. For the Eucharistic community, celebrating God's wondrous deeds, for grace to answer God's call with Mary's generosity,  
**We Pray to the Lord.**
6. For those we hold in our hearts, especially for Msgr. James McCauley, for whom this mass is offered.  
**We Pray to the Lord.**