

# Family Prayer

## “The Wedding of Cana”



*Setup - Before the prayer set up a sacred space. Clear your dinner table or other table. Include a candle, bell, symbols and coloured cloth. Invite others well ahead of time before you pray.*

We put ourselves in the presence of our God by focusing on our breathing. Breath in and out. Breath in and out.

As we ring our bell and light our Candle  
We invite God's presence to be with Us.

### Sign of the Cross.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

### Song - All creatures of our God and King

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oIG1alC9m6w>

All creatures of our God and king  
Lift up your voices and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia  
Thou burning with golden beam  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,

Thou rushing wind that art so strong  
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n a long  
Alleluia, alleluia  
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice  
Ye light of evening find a voice  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,

Thou flowing water pure and clear  
Make music for thy Lord to hear  
Alleluia, alleluia  
Thou fire so masterful and bright  
That gives to man both warmth and light

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,  
Wherever You would call me  
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander  
And my faith will be made stronger  
In the presence of my Savior

### Gospel – John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.

When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him,

“They have no wine.”

And Jesus said to her,

“Woman, how does your concern affect me?”

My hour has not yet come.”

His mother said to the servers,

“Do whatever he tells you.”

Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons.

Jesus told them,

“Fill the jars with water.”

So they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them,

“Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter.”

So they took it.

And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine,

without knowing where it came from

— although the servers who had drawn the water knew —,

the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him,

“Everyone serves good wine first,

and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one;

but you have kept the good wine until now.”

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee

and so revealed his glory,

and his disciples began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All – Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

### Song – Lord I need you

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rR\\_Rdb1CTE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rR_Rdb1CTE)

1. Lord I come, I confess  
Bowing here, I find my rest  
Without You, I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus :

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You  
Every hour, I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You

2. Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are, Lord, I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

*Bridge:*

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay



## Reflection Video

“The Wedding at Cana”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhjvAAkXbj0>

## Silence

Take a minute in silence to reflect on today's Gospel.

## Discuss

1. What does Mary do?
2. The water used was used for hand washing. This is dirty water. What does Jesus do?
3. What does the turning into wine represent?
4. If Mary said to you “Do whatever he tells you”, what does it mean for us today?
5. How can we follow Mary and Jesus?

## Prayers of the Faithful

We bring the following prayers to God.

1. We pray for people effected by natural disasters. May we be a beacon of hope for the people effected. Lord hear us.
2. We pray that we too might trust more God. May we recognise God acting in our lives today. Lord hear us.
3. We thank God for the actions of Mary to prompt Jesus to act and for Jesus response in saying Yes. Lord hear us.

4. We pray that God will call each of us to work against injustice in the world. Lord hear us.

**Do you have Any prayers to share today?**

## Final Prayer

Lord our baptism you washed us with water.  
At the Wedding of Cana, you turned water into wine.  
Change us Lord,  
so that we might become beacons of hope  
that make a difference against injustice  
and places where God's  
loving embrace is deeply needed.  
So like at the last supper,  
Where the wine and bread become  
Jesus' own body and blood.  
Transform us to be Christ hands, feet and heart  
In the world today.

Amen

## Song – A Rightful Place

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YBSIDHh0QBA>

*Chorus :*

Let us live our lives so that all might see  
That our hearts are restless till they rest in thee.  
Let us build your kingdom in truth and grace  
So that all might know they have a rightful place.

1. Beauty ever ancient and new,  
Breaking through our deafness so we hear you.  
Shattering the darkness of night,  
A new dawn is rising to bring your light  
To all the world.

2. To gather in your presence we came  
To be one in spirit, in truth and name;  
Strengthened by the body of Christ,  
Taking up the call now to share your light  
With all the world.

## Sign of the Cross.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.