Upon the conclusion of the homily the presider returns to the chair, is seated for a brief period of silent prayer, and then stands to introduce the Universal Prayer.

Presider:

My brothers and sisters, let us ask our Lord Jesus Christ to look lovingly on this child who is to be baptized, on his parents and godparents, and on all the baptized.

The intercessions are then sung by the cantor.
All sing the response: "Lord, hear our prayer." (Mass of Wisdom below)

Give William Thomas new birth in Baptism through the radiant divine mystery of your Death and Resurrection, and join him to your holy *Church*...[pause] we pray to the Lord. R./

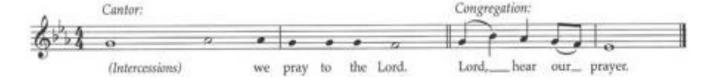
Make him a faithful disciple and witness to your Gospel through Baptism and Confir-ma-tion...[pause] we pray to the Lord. R./

Lead him through holiness of life to the joys of the heavenly <u>king</u>-dom...[pause] we pray to the Lord. R./

Make his parents and godparents a shining example of faith to <u>him</u>...[pause] we pray to the Lord. R./

Keep his family always in your <u>love</u>...[pause] we pray to the Lord. R./

Renew the grace of Baptism in each of <u>us</u>...[pause] we pray to the Lord. R./



LITANY OF SAINTS

Upon the Universal Prayer the presider invites the parents, godparents, and anyone else who wishes to process to the font as the cantor begins the Litany of Saints.

My brothers and sisters, as Alex and Katherine bring William Thomas to the font, please share in our Litany of Saint.

The Litany concludes with "Christ, graciously hear us."