

## Fourth Stage : Mother House

bread

**Cel** **In Baptism** was “given” to us the *Our Father*, as prayer of the sons and daughters of God and sisters and brothers in Christ. Let us pray it together with a sense of newness and freshness, overcoming the risk of the routine:

**All** Our Father ...



**Cel** **Bread** has various meanings, from the gift of the Eucharist to the daily necessity of its presence on our tables. Magdalene, through the contemplation of the Eucharist, became bread for many people and, along the streets of this suburb, She gave bread and hope to many little ones and the poor. May all of us continue to do what She began.

**Cel** **May the Almighty God**, who revived us to new life by water and Holy Spirit, bless you all so that, always and everywhere, you may be living members of his people, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**All** **Amen.**

**Cel** The Almighty God, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, may give you His peace.

**All** **Amen.**

**Song**

**Maddalena ancora ci invita,**  
soprattutto fate conoscere Gesù  
amatelo e annunzietelo  
e con la vita parlate di Lui.  
A tutti popoli (3 v.)  
della terra.



**The challenge of Magdalene calls us above all,**  
to make our brother Jesus known  
by loving Him and being his witnesses  
with our life, in all of our ways,  
among all people (3 v.)  
throughout the earth.



## CELEBRATING LIFE

**Cel** Dear sisters and brothers, the day of your Baptism you were signed with the sign of the cross so that you could soon listen to the Word of God and profess your faith. Today we begin this celebration with the same sign of salvation.

**In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**All. Amen.**

**Cel** The Lord, who called us to life and faith, be with you.

**All** And with your spirit.

### First Stage: Canossa Palace

flower

**Cel** Let us pray: May You be blessed, God our Father,  
Creator of heaven and earth:

in the gift of life

You show your love for humanity.

**You guide the life of human beings,**

with care and kindness,

as it were a precious flower.

**Lay out your hand and bless us**

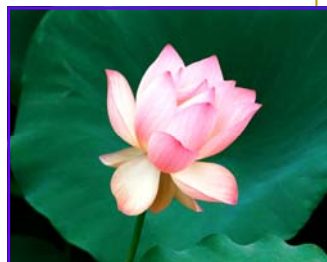
and this flower

in remembrance of our Baptism

and brighten, in our hearts, the light of faith

and the fire of your love.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**



### Second Stage: St. Lawrence's Church

water and white robe

**In the Old Testament,** through water God worked great deeds for the salvation of his people. Those marvellous deeds were the presage of even more wonderful deeds which He would have accomplished through the water of Baptism.

**Now the water is blessed** and, sprinkled by it, let us remember what we lived in the day of our Baptism. At the end, each one of us will receive some water and the white robe as a sign of a new life in Christ's image.

**Cel** Almighty God,

listen to the prayer of your people,

who, remembering your wonderful deeds

for our salvation,

turns to You.

**Accept to bless this water**

which You created so that our land

may be fruitful

and may sustain our bodies.

**Revive in us, Lord,**

with the sign of this blessed water,

the memory of our Baptism,

so that we may be united ever more

to the joyful assembly of all sisters and brothers,

baptised in the Easter of Christ, our Lord.

He lives and reigns forever and ever. **Amen!**

**Cel** In remembrance of your Baptism, may you be sprinkled in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**All** Amen.

### Third Stage: St. Zeno's Basilica

candle

### Witnesses of the Light

**Cel** Jesus, proclaimed Himself to be the Light of the world. He is the One who has to guide all our choices in a concrete life of faith. The candle is the symbol of it.

**In the symbol of the candle, receive**

the light of Christ and shine forth always in His Light.

