



It is so good, in this period of lock-down to be able to share intercessions digitally or with those to whom Jackie has circulated paper copies. It is spiritually enriching for me to prepare these prayers and I feel that I am very much a part of your worship as you read them.

The response to my bidding 'Lord, in your mercy' is 'hear our prayer'.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

On this Trinity Sunday we come before you Lord to offer our praise and thanks. You are God the creator, giving us richly all things to enjoy. You are Christ the Saviour of the world, made flesh to set us free. You are the Spirit of truth and love, willing to dwell in us. Holy and blessed, One God, eternal Trinity, we pray that you will be near to us day by day, that we may be steadfast in our faith in you.

Lord, in your mercy', 'hear our prayer'.

We give you thanks today for our church of St. Margaret, and for our joint benefice with St. Mark's, and gladly acknowledge all the gifts you have given us through our lives in our spiritual home. We thank you that we are able to share together in times of celebration and joy and also in times of great sadness.

We pray for those who are sick, in mind, body or spirit. We pray especially today for Jeff Done; for Rita Axon; for Jackson; for all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones during this period of lock-down due to Covid 19. As we pause in our prayers, we think of those close to our hearts who need your touch just now.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As the restrictions of lock-down begin to be relaxed and people return to work, we pray for those for whom work no longer exists. We pray for those who will continue to need to use food banks to feed their families. We pray for the homeless. We pray for those in Government in this country, elected and un-elected, who are charged with making decisions which will affect all of us. We pray that they will not take their responsibility lightly and that they will act with integrity, compassion, and justice.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We ask you, Heavenly Father, to open wide our minds, that we may receive your truth and understand your will; open wide our lives, that through prayer, we may experience your power in our daily living; open wide our hearts so that we may share our faith with others.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Let us end our prayers by saying together the Grace.

May the Grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore, AMEN.

Every blessing,
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