

Prayers for 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020

(please see In Touch for the names of those we are praying for this week)

Let us pray

Lord, as we pray let us come to you asking, seeking, knocking and confident we will be heard.

Lord, we look at the world sometimes and we despair. We see its hatred and violence. Help us to recognise that our way of looking at the world is not the same as your way and where we see no prospect of change you are able to transform situations. Inspire us in our own small way to work towards peace and reconciliation in all our actions and to love our enemies.

**Lord in your Mercy**  
**Hear our prayer**

Lord, through these prayers let us recommit to our work to spread your word not only in our church, but in our local community and also where we work and play. As your disciples let our words and actions bring glory not to ourselves but to you.

**Lord in your Mercy**  
**Hear our prayer**

Lord, we entrust to you the families and communities affected by Coronavirus, wherever they may be. We pray especially for health care workers, that you may guide and protect them. We pray that your Spirit might inspire those researching new medicines and treatments.

**Lord in your Mercy**  
**Hear our prayer**

Lord, we pray for those for whom this day will be long and hard because of their burden of pain, fear, loneliness or despair. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and rest for their souls. We pray particularly for

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**Lord in your Mercy  
Hear our prayer**

Lord, we remember with thankfulness those who have left their mark on our lives through love and friendship and have now gone before us to be with you. Give strength and comfort to the recently bereaved in the knowledge that their loved ones will never die but find eternal life with you. We pray particularly for .....

**Lord in your Mercy  
Hear our prayer**

Lord, we thank you for the assurance you give us,  
That whatever we face you will be with us.  
Teach us to live each day in the light of that truth,  
And so to live always as your disciple,

**Merciful Father  
Accept these prayers  
For the sake of your Son,  
Our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**