

Intercessions – 9th Sunday after Trinity– 09/08/2020

Trusting in our faithful God, let us pray

When we are in danger of being overwhelmed, increase our faith.

When troubles beset us, let us hear you say, 'Take heart, it is I: do not be afraid'.

Give to your church a new vision of yourself and of your saving power. Go with us as we go out to proclaim your love.

We pray for areas where the church is struggling or being overwhelmed, for all bishops and clergy who are overworked or in danger, especially in countries where there is persecution.

We pray for all who reach out in faith towards you that they may receive a welcome from your church.

We pray for Charles, Gill and Simon.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

We pray for areas of the world where there have been floods or other natural disasters, for the Caribbean, Mexican Gulf areas and the coasts of America during hurricane season.

We pray for all who are swamped by poverty or hunger, for all who are battered by wave after wave of oppression or violence, for those who have no freedom, for all who are sinking beneath a load of care and anxiety.

We pray for the people of Lebanon following the devastating explosion in Beirut; for those who have lost loved ones, homes, livelihoods; for those injured both physically and psychologically. We pray this will bring people closer together rather than increasing existing tensions and divisions. We pray for the nation's leaders, for wisdom to deal with the impact on the economy, resources (especially food) and health infrastructure for the good of all their citizens.

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We pray for Queen Elizabeth, the Royal Family and her Government, for your guidance and wisdom to make decisions that will further God's kingdom in our nation, especially during these times as we are buffeted by the storm of Covid. We give thanks for all who have supported us in times of trouble or distress, especially those working in the NHS. We pray for friends who are in need at this time, for those struggling emotionally, physically and financially with the lockdown restrictions. We remember all who are finding caring for their home or family overwhelming.

We pray that we may be a strength to our community and not a burden.

We pray for all who are down, the fearful, the weary, the despairing. We pray for all who are unable to help themselves, for those suffering abuse and unable to ask for help.

We remember all who give a helping hand. We pray for carers, home helps, social workers, fire fighters and the police. We remember those who are suffering in their care of another, especially young carers.

We pray for loved ones who are ill

Zachary Sayers	Karen Wade	Penny Havercroft	David Johnston	Michael Vickers
William Campbell	Samuel Lung	Sarah Osbourne	Izzy Jones	Richard and
Sharon Pilbeam	Deryck Flashman		Joan Graham	Rosemary Moncrieff

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We place into your loving keeping all those who have died, knowing their dependence on you and your limitless mercy. We thank you for them and their gifts to the world, and ask that we may, in our turn, come to you across the waters of death and live in your company for ever.

We pray especially for those mourning the loss of

Elizabeth Wright	Margaret Taylor	Anthony Hartnoll	Peggy Grant	Don MacDonald
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Lord, in the storms of life, bid us come to you, that we, who are aware of our weakness, may be made strong; through the power of Christ our Lord. **Amen.**