

Parish Prayer Diary

April – May 2021

The Kingship of The Risen Lord Jesus



Psalm 145 v 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

Let's begin by praying together - in our own homes or on Zoom at our Parish Prayer Meeting on Tuesday 20th April at 7pm

Psalm 24 v 9-10

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.

In this Easter season we remember all that Christ gained for us on the cross. We remember that he is exalted on high and will reign for ever more. He is the King of Glory, yet he hears our prayers.

Let us spend time giving praise and thanks to God, through our Lord Jesus Christ. For the forgiveness he offers, the peace and joy he brings. For the gift of grace which enable us to live our daily lives and the promise of eternal life to all who believe in him.

Our prayers for the World

Psalm 96 v 10-11

Say among the nations, "The LORD is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity. Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it."

Let us pray for the nations of the world remembering that Christ is King of all nations. Pray for:

- Countries which are devastated by war and poverty and injustice. Those countries where medical services are failing and Covid infections and deaths are high and rising. For more access to safe vaccines and generosity of other nations to give where it is needed.
- Pray for the natural world, for conservation initiatives, the threat of global warming and our personal responsibility to 'save our planet' for future generations.

Prayers for our nation

Psalm 85 v 8,9 *Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.*

- Pray for the royal family in mourning following the death of HRH Prince Philip and for all those mourning the death of a loved one.
- For wise decisions for the future of our country, as lockdown eases and businesses reopen.
- Pray for the County Council and Police and Crime Commissioner elections taking place on 6th May.
- Continue praying for the production, roll out and safety of the various vaccines available.
- For rest and refreshment for all front-line staff.

Prayers for our church and for our community

Colossians 1 v 17-19

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

- Pray with thanksgiving for all those involved in keeping the spiritual and pastoral work of the church alive.
- Pray for the outcomes of last night's APCM, for newly elected members and future plans.
- For our witness and service in our community

We pray for our Mission partners, and the situations they are in:

for Azaria who is continuing her furlough at present with her family: we pray for refreshment for her. Azaria is asking us to pray for two areas of work she will be involved with when she gets back to Guatemala City - the prevention work with Street Kids Direct, and for discipleship and mentoring with Youth Group members.

for Paul & Kate and the children in the Middle East: Paul & Kate's email on 13 April says "God is truly able to move mountains on our behalf" - the fees for the work permits and visas have been reduced by 80%!

for Tony & Katherine and the children in South East Asia. We pray for Tony teaching English at the language school and for his work as a pastor.

for Isaac Mgego and the staff at the hospital in Berega in Tanzania as they care for the patients with Covid-19 in the village and surrounding area, as well as all their normal work.

Our Prayers for those known to us who are ill or having treatment: Mike Bellamy, Tony Cardwell, Ros Colville, David Ducker, and Gill Wilmot

Our Prayers for families who have been bereaved: for the family and friends of Anne Hart, and others known to us.

and our prayers for those with on-going needs:

Julie Astle	Michael & Daphne Bellamy
Doreen Bennett and Keith Bennett	Rosie Bjelland
Anne & Steve Bladen	Barbara Brown
Vickie Brown	Dorothy Bush
Chevonne & Leo Elbourne	Jenni & Ed Elbourne
Betty Ellery	Gill Fazey
Frankie Hall	Gillian Hallam
Keith & Beverley Holloway	Claire Morrell
Frances Pearson	Kathleen & Albert Phillips
Mary Plackett	Richard & Rita Portwood
Dorothy Roberts	Michael Smith
David & Jean Ward	Gill and David Wilmot
Liz Wiseman	

We remember in prayer the residents and businesses located within the parish in the following roads:

Finsbury Avenue	Jasmine Close and Kilburn Close
Gateford Close	Kingsbridge Way
Hall Gardens and Common Lane	Latimer Drive
Hanley Avenue	Lyndale Road and Trenton Close
Heather Rise	Magnolia Court
Hillside Road	Manor Court
Ilkeston Road	Marshall Drive