

Lent Intercessions

As we continue through this holy season of Lent, we ask God to hear the cares of our heart.

Loving God, as we continue this season of Lent
we pray for deepening.

Deepening of our faith in you

Deepening of our understanding of the depth of your love for each one of us.

Deepening of our commitment to following you every day.

Lord, in all the business, help us to find space and time for you

To listen for your still small voice.

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

Loving God, as we continue this season of Lent,
we pray for renewing.

Renewing of the freedom, the fullness of life you long for each of us to receive.

Lord, in all our self-sufficiency, help us to recognise our need of you

Our need of forgiveness, of reconciliation.

Help us to give to you all that binds us, our hurts, our failures, our regrets,

To lay down our burdens,

to receive the forgiveness which you offer to all who turn to you.

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

Loving God, as we continue this season of Lent,
we pray for healing.

Healing of divisions, hatreds, war and conflict.

Healing of our communities, families, relationships.

Lord, in our brokenness, help us to work for peace, harmony, unity.

We pray for all those living in fear, for those living with conflict and violence.

We pray for all those working to bring healing and reconciliation,

for politicians, peacemakers and peacekeepers.

Help us, as your children to shine as lights in the dark places of our world.

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

Loving God, as we continue this season of Lent,
we pray for restoring.

Restoring of minds and bodies.

On this National Day of Reflection we particularly remember all those still suffering the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic. Those living with long Covid, those living with the trauma of work on the frontline, those struggling to come to terms with loss.

We pray too for all in need of healing today...

Lord, bring healing where there is hurt and pain

Bring wholeness where there is brokenness

Bring comfort and hope where there is despair

Enfold all in need today in your loving arms,

May all know your healing presence with them today and every day.

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

Loving God, as we continue this season of Lent,
we pray for your holding.

Holding of all those who have passed this road of faith before us.

Holding of all who mourn the loss of a loved one.

We remember particularly...

Lord, may all who grieve know your comfort and hope and may all who have died in the faith of Christ rest in peace and rise in glory.

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

Loving God, as we continue this season of Lent,

renew your Church, renew our hearts, renew our world, renew our lives. **Amen.**