

In The power of the spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.
Almighty God our heavenly Father,you promised through your son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

Lord as your word has been revealed from the days of Abraham until this time make us faithful in our generation to believe your promises and follow the guidance of your Holy Spirit. During this period of Lent, give us a new awareness of your unique sacrifice on our behalf and teach us to be humble in acknowledging that all our gifts come from you for the service of people and the spread of your Kingdom. May you live in us so that in all our small acts of sacrifice the light of your resurrection may shine through and give them meaning. Lord in your mercy...

Lord we pray for your church throughout the world, we pray for church communities where people of different backgrounds can work and worship together harmoniously and where those who seek to know more about the Christian faith will find a welcome.
We pray for the life of our own church and we give special thanks for Ros, Mike, Kerry and Tina, for all their hard work here and in the local community. Lord in your mercy...

Lord We pray for people all over the world who are struggling with war, poverty, illness, grief or despair. We ask you to look after them, give them the sense of your caring presence to uphold and sustain them and show us the way to help support them. Give us courage to continue working with you even during the difficult times. We ask you to come into the daily relationships which we so often take for granted. Help us to value one another and respond to one another with love. Lord in your mercy...

Lord we pray for our community, our neighbours, friends and for the people around us with whom we work and share our daily lives. We pray for those who are old and lonely, those isolated because of ill-health, and those who find it difficult to be accepted. Show us all what we can do to help those around us and teach us to be good neighbours and true friends.Lord in your mercy...

Lord, we pray for those who are ill, in hospitals, at home, or wherever they may be, especially those whose illness is long term and demands much patience to bear. We pray for those known to us who are ill at this time... Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord in your mercy..

Lord, we pray for all of those facing death, that you would comfort them and hold them safe in your loving care. We pray for those who have died and those who mourn their loss, especially today we remember those known to us who have died recently .. and for those whose years mind fall this week ...

According to your promises grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom .. lord in your mercy...

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the Blessed Virgin Mary St. Stephen and all your saints, we commend ourselves and the whole creation to your unfailing love.

Merciful Father.