

## LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 16 Jan 2022

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. Romans 8:26-27

Sun 16 Jan 2nd Sunday after Epiphany	Pray for the retired clergy, the Churchwarden and the PCC that they may have health and strength for the extra duties during the interregnum
Mon 17 Jan	Pray for those preparing the Parish profile that they may have the inspiration and help of God in completing this task in a timely manner.
Tues 18 Jan	Pray for the schools that there may be minimum disruption caused by ill health and that staff and students may make good progress with studies.
Wed 19 Jan	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have the resources required to meet the needs of those families in Wem in food poverty.
Thurs 20 Jan	Pray for our new MP, Helen Morgan, that she settles quickly into her new role and is effective in looking after the concerns of North Shropshire.
Fri 21 Jan	Pray for the leaders of the Youth Club, Guides and Scouts that they may provide safe and healthy social activities for young people.
Sat 22 Jan	Pray for protection over social events this weekend and that people will take sensible precautions to limit the spread of the Corona virus.

Almighty God hear the prayers of your people for those with whom we share our lives and on whose work we depend. Be with those who mourn, the lonely, anxious, or distressed and grant your grace and strength to all whose work is essential or places them at risk. This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our needs before we ask and our ignorance in asking; have compassion on our weakness and give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **A prayer for all those affected by the coronavirus**

Keep us, good Lord  
under the shadow of your mercy.  
Sustain and support the anxious,  
be with those who care for the sick,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may find comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.