

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 30 Jan 2022

“Which of you, if your son asks for bread will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!” Matt.7:9-11

Sun 30 Jan The Presentation	Pray for the Lord's blessing on the services taking place today to celebrate Jesus' Presentation in the Temple. Pray for the Archdeacon taking the joint Benefice service
Mon 31 Jan	Pray for God's protection over the schools, that Covid infections may continue to decrease and teachers and students may make good progress in the curriculum
Tues 1 Feb	Pray that God will draw the right person to take on the leadership of the Benefice as rector - someone with Godly vision who can facilitate growth
Wed 2 Feb	Pray for those affected by rising energy and food costs, that they may receive the help that they need from local agencies. Pray that people will be generous in their giving to support the Food Bank and Food Hub
Thurs 3 Feb	Pray for all those in Wem who work tirelessly for the NHS that they may receive encouragement and support as well as strength for their work.
Fri 4 Feb	Pray for a spiritual awakening among the children and young people of Wem, that they may be drawn to Jesus and become His disciples.
Sat 5 Feb	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.