

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 27 FEB 2022

They said to Him, "John's disciples often fast and pray, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours go on eating and drinking." Jesus answered, "Can you make the friends of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? But the time will come when the bridegroom is taken from them; in those days they will fast." Luke 5:33-35

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| Sun 27 Feb Sunday before Lent | Pray for the Sunday services taking place in Wem that they may be a blessed time of worship and spiritual strengthening. Pray also for those unable to attend. |
| Mon 28 Feb | Pray for the well-being of the children and young people as they return to school after half term. May they be protected from Covid and other infections. |
| Tues 1 March | Pray that God will move the right person to apply for position of Rector of our parish and benefice, whose ministry will be greatly blessed and reach the young people of this town. |
| Wed 2 March Ash Wednesday | As we mark the beginning of Lent, let us pray for those in need and all the volunteers who work with the Food Bank and Food Hub to help them. |
| Thurs 3 March | Pray for a spiritual awakening among the young people of Wem that they may have a desire to know Jesus and become His followers. |
| Fri 4 March | On this World Day of Prayer, pray that more Christians will engage in prayer so that we see God's will accomplished here in Wem. |
| Sat 5 March | Pray for the Lord's blessing on the induction of Nathan Burley at the Baptist Church. Pray for greater unity and working together among the Church leaders of Wem. |

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.