

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 10 APRIL

The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, 'Hosanna to the Son of David,' they were indignant. 'Do you hear what these children are saying?' they asked him. 'Yes,' replied Jesus, 'have you never read, 'From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise.' Matt.21:14-16

Sun 10 April Palm Sunday	At the start of Holy Week, pray for children and young people in particular that they may be made acquainted with the events of this week and respond to them.
Mon 11 April	Pray for those families in food poverty in Wem, that their needs may be met by the Food Bank and Food Hub. May Wemians give generously.
Tues 12 April	Pray for those anxious about the increasing cost of living, that they may find peace and provision by trusting in God.
Wed 13 April	Pray that Covid infections may decrease. Pray also for those working in healthcare that they may be encouraged in their work.
Thurs 14 April Maundy Thursday	As we remember Jesus' prayer that the Father's will be done in Him, let us pray for ourselves to be willing for God's will to be done in our lives.
Fri 15 April Good Friday	As we reflect on Jesus' suffering and death on the cross, let us remember His mighty victory over sin and death. Pray that many may come to know this victory in their lives.
Sat 16 April	On the eve of Resurrection Sunday, let us pray for a spiritual awakening among the people of Wem and that many may come into Jesus' kingdom.

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.