

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 24 APRIL

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God. Phil. 1:9-11

Sun 24 April Second Sunday of Easter	Pray for health, strength and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for the retired clergy as they conduct the services today - also throughout the week.
Mon 25 April	Pray for teachers, children and young people as they return to school for the summer term. May it be a fruitful time of learning for them.
Tues 26 April	Pray for those anxious about the increasing cost of living, that they may find peace and provision by trusting in God.
Wed 27 April	Pray that Covid infections may decrease. Pray also for those working in healthcare that they may be encouraged in their work.
Thurs 28 April	Pray God will guide the right person to apply for the post of Rector for the Benefice - someone who is close to God and at ease with children.
Fri 29 April	Pray for the Youth Club, Guides and Scouts that they may have positive opportunities for social interaction and fun. Pray for the leaders, that they may have wisdom and insight in caring for young people
Sat 30 April	Pray for God's protection over Wem that he will keep out drug dealers, criminal activities and occult practices.

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.