LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 22 MAY

Be wise in the way you act towards outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation always be full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. Col.4:5-6

Sun 22 May Sixth Sunday of Easter	Pray for the family service today that it may grow and develop into a blessed time of worship for families with children
Mon 23 May	Pray for the PCC meeting to be held tonight, that God will guide the outcome of all the decisions made.
Tues 24 May	Pray for the new Churchwardens, Cathy and David, that they may quickly settle into their new role and provide good support to Chris.
Wed 25 May	Pray for those in Wem struggling with the rise in cost of living that they may receive the help that they need.
Thurs 26 May Ascension Thursday	As part of the global prayer initiative, 'Thy Kingdom Come' pray for 5 people you know to come into God's kingdom. (Ascension to Pentecost).
Fri 27 May	Pray for God's protection over the people of Wem, especially young people, that all criminal activities such as drug dealing may cease.
Sat 28 May	Pray for the Town Hall and all the activities and events held there, for God's protection and blessing on the people gathering there.

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.