

## LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 30 October

Jesus said: 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.' Matt. 5:4

Sun 30 October All Saints Sunday	Pray for the Lord's blessing on the Benefice Eucharist taking place today. Pray for help and strength for all those with leading roles in this service.
Mon 31 October	Pray for the school children and young people as they return to school that they may be protected from infections and make good progress in their studies.
Tues 1 November	Pray for all those anxious about cost of living increases that they may know God's peace and provision. Pray for generosity among those with plenty.
Wed 2 November	Pray for all those who grieve the loss of a loved one. Pray for the All Souls Service taking place at 7pm that it may bring the Lord's comfort to the bereaved.
Thurs 3 November	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have all the resources that they need to help those in need.
Fri 4 November	Pray for Rev Mike Cotterell and team in South Sudan that they may have good health and safety. Pray for the Lord's blessing on the training program that it may be effective and fruitful.
Sat 5 November	Pray for positive social activities as well as protection over those events where fireworks are used.

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.