LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 20 NOVEMBER

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly as I should. Col. 4:2-4

Sun 20 November Christ the King	Pray for the retired clergy that they may have health strength and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for the task of leading the services in our Benefice.
Mon 21 November	Pray for a spiritual awakening among the people of Wem and for opportunities to speak about our faith in conversations with others.
Tues 22 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 23 November	Pray for Rev John Jukes and his wife, Denise, that the Lord will give them His vision and prepare them for the leadership of our 3 parishes.
Thurs 24 November	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have all the resources to help those in need.
Fri 25 November	Pray for God's protection over the people of Wem and an end to criminal activities. Pray for those with addictions that they may receive the help that they need.
Sat 26 November	Pray for the Lord's blessing on the Christmas coffee morning held in the Church Hall. Pray for good attendance and a time of friendship and fellowship.

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.