

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 4 DECEMBER

Paul said, “.....we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of His calling, and that by His power He may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith. We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.” 2 Thess. 1:11-12

Sun 4 December Second Sunday of Advent	Pray at this preparation time of Advent, for the grace to be obeying Jesus commands as individuals and together. Pray for the retired clergy and all those with responsibilities in services, that they may have good health and strength at this busy time.
Mon 5 December	Pray that God will provide opportunities to speak about our faith in conversations with others. Pray for friends, family and neighbours to know Jesus.
Tues 6 December	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 7 December	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 8 December	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have all the resources to help those in need.
Fri 9 December	Pray for God’s protection over the people of Wem and for a spiritual awakening this Christmastime.
Sat 10 December	Pray for the Festive Lunch taking place in the Church Hall, that it may be a time of friendship and fellowship for all present.

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.