LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 2 JULY

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have what we asked of him. 1 John 5: 14-15

Sunday 2 July Trinity 4	Pray for the services taking place in the Benefice today that we may offer worship pleasing to God and be strengthened and inspired by his presence.
Mon 3 July	Pray for all those bereaved and grieving that they may know God's comfort in their loss as well as the love and support of those around them.
Tues 4 July	Pray for a spiritual awakening among the young people of Benefice. Pray that the Churches may be equipped and ready to make new disciples.
Wed 5 July	Pray for the retired clergy, our lay reader, Cathy Dibben and Rev. John Jukes that God may bless all the work they do in the Benefice.
Thurs 6 July	Pray for all those anxious about the cost of living increases, that they may know God's peace and provision.
Fri 7 July	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have all the resources that they need to provide for those families experiencing food poverty.
Sat 8 July	Pray for God's blessing over the Strawberry Tea held at Lee Brockhurst Farm to raise funds for St. Peter's. May it be 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.