LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 24 MARCH

They took palm branches and went out to meet Jesus, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!" John 12:13

Sunday 24 March Palm Sunday	Pray that the Holy Spirit will give us deeper insight and understanding of the events we celebrate in the course of Holy Week.
Mon 25 March	Pray for opportunities to talk about your faith in conversation with others. Pray that the Church may truly be the salt and the light in our area.
Tues 26 March	Pray for the people of our area that as Easter approaches their thoughts may turn to the meaning and purpose of Jesus death and resurrection for themselves.
Wed 27 March	Pray for the children and young people, as they begin their school holidays in Holy Week, that they may want to know more about Jesus.
Thurs 28 March Maundy Thursday	Pray that we may be given fresh insight into the significance of the Last Supper and Gethsemane, that we may draw nearer to God.
Fri 29 March Good Friday	Pray that many may participate in the meditations of Jesus suffering and crucifixion. Pray for willing hearts to take up the cross and follow him.
Sat 30 March	Pray for God's protection over Wem and the surrounding villages that there may be positive and peaceful social activities.

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.