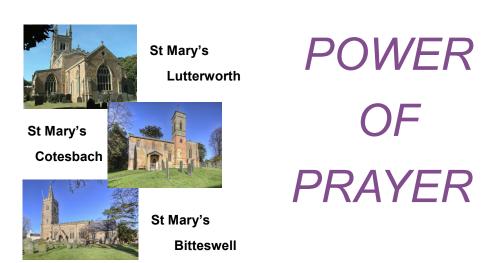


Name above all names, Worthy of all praise; My heart will sing: how great is our God.

Prayers taken from:

Prayers for everyday use, A Barclay Prayer Book, Mission Praise, and C.F.W.



## PRAYER FOCUS AND DIARY MAY 2020



# SUNDAY COLLECTS MAY 2020

#### SUNDAY 3rd MAY

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.

#### SUNDAY 10th MAY

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

#### SUNDAY 17th MAY

## Risen Christ,

by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.

#### SUNDAY 24th MAY

## Risen Christ,

you have raised our human nature to the throng of heaven: help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever.

#### 31st MAY

Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

FRIDAY Romans 15 verse 13.



Eternal God, whom to know is life eternal and whom to serve is fulness of joy, help us to know you with our minds, to love you with our hearts, to serve you with our lives, so that our lives may be garrisoned with your peace and radiant with your glory: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **SATURDAY**

Hebrews 4 verse 16.

Let us therefore come boldly
to the throne of grace,
that we may obtain mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16 (New King James Version)

We come to you, O God, to thank you for past gifts to us; to receive strength for the present duties we must do; to find courage to face anything which the future may bring in Jesus' name. Amen.

**WEDNESDAY** 

Romans 12 verse 11.



Give us, dear Lord, the desire to live useful and not useless lives. Show us ways in which we can serve in the fellowship of your Church. Increase our love for you that we may grow in our witness of the Gospel and our understanding of the Faith. Strengthen us that we may be loving and caring to those in need, dedicating ourselves anew in your service. Amen.

**THURSDAY** 

Romans 15 verse 5.

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus.

We praise you, O God, for the fellowship of the Spirit who unites us in the bond of peace as members of one Body. Deepen our communion with one another in Christ, and grant that through your spirit continually working in us we may daily increase in the knowledge of your love. Amen

# MAY PRAYER FOCUS

O God, You are King, help us to come to you in loyal allegiance; You are Judge; help us to come to you in heartfelt sorrow

for the wrong we have done.

You are Father:

help us to come to you in confident and loving trust; You are God:

help us to come to you in humble reverence and adoration.

Hear this our prayer; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Loving Father, we are afraid, for the safety of our loved ones near and far at this worrying time.

Bless all people, all over the world, at this time of uncertainty.

Let us all be mindful of one another and of their needs, knowing that you care for each one of us.

We pray for guidance, forbearance and for gratitude of the help that is there for us.

Pray Lord for everyone who is out serving us in, Hospitals, Services, and the great picture.

Amen.

- - If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

Lord, make our trust in you complete. We confess that our faith at times is shallow and wavering. In our doubts and disbelief we pray that you will uphold us and assure us of your presence. Give us a firm and resolute faith that by our witness others may come to trust You as the Saviour of our souls... Amen.

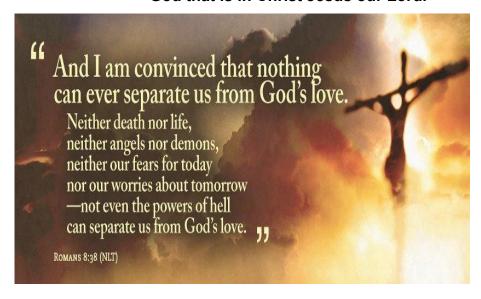
#### **MONDAY**

Romans 8 verses 35,38 & 39.

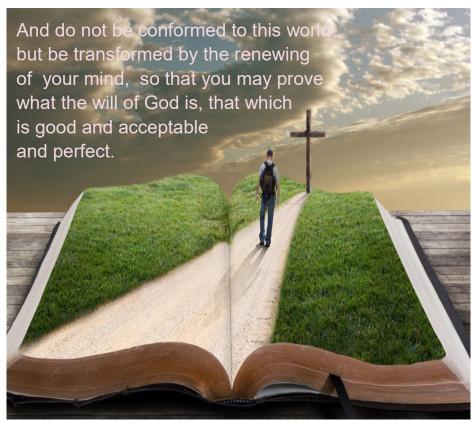
Who shall separate us from the love of God?

--- For I am convinced that neither death nor life

--- will be able to separate us from the love of
God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



O God, we are your children and you love us: so deep is your love that nothing we have done, or thought to do, can take away the peace you give; so strong is your love that no passing trouble shall tear us from your arms; so precious is your love that all our life shall be lived in your service—and yours shall be the glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



O God, fill us with boldness that we may meet the demands of life with a brave heart and without complaint. When the path of life is dark and difficult and the right way seems the hardest way, be with us Lord. May our footsteps never falter, and when we reach the point of no return, give us courage to go forward, fixing our eyes upon the Cross, where we can see the supreme example of true courage and confidence in the sacrifice of our beloved Master, Jesus Christ. Amen.

how thank we all our God