

Intercessions for Fourth Sunday of Easter – 3 May 2020

Lord, you are our Shepherd and we pray that you will protect us from all danger, especially in this time of Lockdown, by keeping watch over us, guide us towards green pastures where we can be nourished by your word and lead us to pure still waters where we can be refreshed by your love.

Lord, in your Mercy:

Hear our Prayer

Lord, you are our Shepherd and we pray for our church leaders that they too may care for and lead us by following the example of love and service you demonstrated in your earthly ministry. We especially pray today for all of our clergy who through the Internet and Social Media are keeping us in touch and sharing words of encouragement.

In the Anglican Communion we give thanks for Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil and pray for its ongoing campaign against gender-based violence.

In our diocese during Deaf Awareness Week we pray for the social inclusion of deaf people. May our church be a place where deaf people can feel included and welcomed.

Lord, in your Mercy:

Hear our Prayer

Lord, you are our Shepherd and we pray for the world that was given to us as an inheritance, on the understanding that we would care for it as shepherds care for their flocks. Teach us to look after our beautiful planet and care for it wisely, whilst sharing its gifts more fairly and working together with all of its inhabitants to ease its sufferings.

We pray for world leaders as they make decisions regarding the lockdown in its various stages throughout the world, help them to make the right choices for the safety of their people considering both physical and mental health

Lord, in your Mercy:

Hear our Prayer

Lord, you are our Shepherd and we pray for our families and friends who need to hear the voice of Jesus the Good Shepherd; who knows every one of them by name; who offers rest to the weary and salvation to sinners and life eternal to all who accept him into their lives.

Help us to feel your presence with us in our daily lives which are so different at the moment whilst it is much harder for us to interact with others in our local community and wider. Let us not forget those who need our prayers.

In our parish we pray for all who live in Westleigh Avenue & Woodland Avenue and for the residents and staff of Belvedere Park Nursing Home. Also for any who have joined us at this time to access the ability to worship you through technology with others.

In our CTEC Prayer Cycle we pray for the members of Earlsdon Methodist Church and their minister, Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams

Lord, in your Mercy:

Hear our Prayer

Lord, you are our Shepherd who seeks out the lost and the sick. We pray for those we know who are lost in illness and ask you to reassure them with the knowledge that you are watching over them in their suffering and that many are praying for their recovery.

We pray particularly at this time for Gwyn Morgan, Wena Hughes, Marion Arkell, Ruby Brown and Stephanie Cotton, members of our own congregation and for all who are suffering from the Coronavirus especially any known to us

Lord, in your Mercy:

Hear our Prayer

Lord, you are our Shepherd so we pray for those who have died and for those who ache with sorrow in their loss of a loved one. May those we now name before you find rest in the Spirit's embrace as you welcome them into the great sheepfold, safe in your keeping for ever

We pray for the families of those recently departed naming Joe North, Peter Watts, John Rathbone, Doreen Winstone, Joan Donaldson, Eileen Eccles, George Elvin, and Dorothy Stott

And in annual remembrance we think of Leonard Silvester, Wyn Melhuish and Hilda Hollyoak

Lord, in your Mercy:

Hear our Prayer

Lord, you are our Shepherd, and we offer our prayers now for all people and their situations. For lives that are going through upheaval or distress caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and in circumstances which only you can change.

Merciful father:

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen