

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 15 MAY

The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. Above all love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:7-8

Sun 15 May Fifth Sunday of Easter	Pray for the retired clergy that they may have health, strength and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as they lead the Sunday services.
Mon 16 May	Pray for members of Wem Town Council as they prepare for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. May they know God's help and guidance.
Tues 17 May	Pray for the new Churchwardens, Cathy and David, that they may quickly settle into their new role and provide good support to Chris.
Wed 18 May	Pray for those in Wem struggling with the rise in cost of living that they may receive the help that they need.
Thurs 19 May	Pray for God's guidance for the PCC and Churchwardens of St. Peter's and St. Paul's. May they know real help and support from the congregation.
Fri 20 May	Pray for God's protection over the people of Wem, especially young people, that all criminal activities such as drug dealing may cease.
Sat 21 May	Pray for the Town Hall and all the activities and events held there, for God's protection and blessing on the people gathering there.

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.