

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 5 FEBRUARY 2023

And pray in the spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for the Lord's people. Eph. 6:18

Sunday 5 February 3rd Sunday before Lent	Pray for all worship services today that the Lord will draw near to strengthen and inspire the hearts of all those who believe in Him.
Mon 6 February	Pray for those struggling to keep warm because of the rising cost of energy bills. May they know God's peace and provision.
Tues 7 February	Pray for Rev. John Jukes and his wife, Denise, that the joy of the Lord may be their strength as they continue to settle into their new home and surroundings
Wed 8 February	Pray for all those who work in the health service, that they may be sustained through all the stresses and strains of this time. May proper solutions be found.
Thurs 9 February	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have all the resources to help those in need.
Fri 10 February	Pray for growing unity and working together of the different Churches in Wem. May they truly be the salt and the light in Wem and the Benefice.
Sat 11 February	Pray for the Lord's people that they may grow in the love and knowledge of Jesus day by day and become more like Him in word and deed.

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.