

## LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 12 MARCH 2023

Paul said: Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Romans 12:12-13

Sunday 12 March Third Sunday in Lent	Pray for the Lord's blessing and presence among us as we worship today, that we may be strengthened and inspired by the Holy Spirit for the week ahead.
Mon 13 March	Pray for all those who work in healthcare in Wem, that they may receive encouragement and strength to overcome the stresses of their work at this time.
Tues 14 March	Pray for all families in food poverty, that their needs may be met. Pray for those who have plenty, to give generously.
Wed 15 March	Pray for Rev John Jukes that the Lord will bless his ministry in St. Peter's School and build up strong relationships between the children, staff and the Church.
Thurs 16 March	Pray for all those who are anxious, that they may seek God's help and trust in Him for peace and provision.
Fri 17 March	Pray for the leaders of the Youth Club, Scouts and Guides and all those with responsibilities for young people that they may provide safe and positive social activities for them.
Sat 18 March	Pray for opportunities to share our faith in conversation with others. Pray that we may be given the right words, that we may speak clearly.

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.