

LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 2 APRIL 2023

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body" Then He took a cup and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the Covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." Matt. 26:26-28.

Sunday 2 April Palm Sunday	Pray for the Lord's blessing on this special Sunday as we remember the events leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus.
Mon 3 April	Pray for the people of Wem that their thoughts may be drawn to consider the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. May the Holy Spirit awaken their hearts to Him.
Tues 4 April	Pray for the school children and young people on holiday that they may have positive social activities and good family time.
Wed 5 April	Pray for all those who are anxious about the cost of living increase, that they may seek God's help and trust in Him for peace and provision. May those with plenty give generously.
Thurs 6 April Maundy Thursday	As we reflect on the meaning Jesus gave to the bread and wine at the Passover meal, let us be deeply thankful to our Saviour and Redeemer.
Fri 7 April Good Friday	As we meditate on Jesus suffering and death on the cross, let us pray that He may receive the reward of His suffering in transformed lives of many new disciples in our area.
Sat 8 April	Pray for a peaceful day and for God's protection over the people of our town and villages.

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.