## LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 9 APRIL

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. 1 Peter 1:3-5

| Sunday 9 April<br>Easter Sunday | Give thanks to God as we celebrate the resurrection<br>of Jesus and the gift of salvation it means for all His<br>followers.                                                                  |
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| Mon 10 April                    | Pray for the people of Wem, Weston and Lee that<br>their thoughts may be drawn to consider the<br>crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. May the Holy<br>Spirit awaken their hearts to Him.   |
| Tues 11 April                   | Pray for the school children and young people on<br>holiday that they may have positive social activities<br>and good family time.                                                            |
| Wed 12 April                    | Pray for all those who are anxious about the cost of<br>living increase, that they may seek God's help and<br>trust in Him for peace and provision. May those with<br>plenty give generously. |
| Thurs 13 April                  | Pray for protection over the young people and school children on holiday that they may not be tempted into destructive activities such as drugs or alcohol.                                   |
| Fri 14 April                    | Pray for increasing unity among Church leaders in Wem, that Jesus' prayer for unity within His body may be fulfilled.                                                                         |
| Sat 15 April                    | Pray for the Community Lunch taking place in the<br>Church Hall today, that it may be a time of friendship<br>and fellowship.                                                                 |

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.