## LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 23 APRIL

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other that you may be healed.

The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16

Sunday 23 April St. George's Day	Pray for the All Age Service that it may be a blessed time of worship for all who attend. Pray for newcomers to attend and feel welcome.
Mon 24 April	Pray for Rev. John Jukes and his wife, Denise, that God will give them His vision for their ministry here in Wem, Weston and Lee Brockhurst.
Tues 25 April	Pray for the school children and young people at the start of the summer term that they may settle in quickly. Pray for those writing exams.
Wed 26 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 27 April	Pray for the Food Bank and the Food Hub that they may have all the resources they need to care for those in food poverty.
Fri 28 April	Pray for all those responsible for leading the Youth Club, Guides and Scouts that they may provide safe and positive social experiences for young people.
Sat 29 April	Pray for God's protection and blessing over all social events in Wem and surrounding villages, that they may be positive times of friendship, promoting the wellbeing of the communities.

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.