

## LOCAL PRAYER DIARY WEEK BEGINNING 11 JUNE

But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.... 1 Peter 3:15

Sunday 11 June Trinity 1	Pray for the clergy as they preside over the worship services today, that they may have good health, strength and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
Mon 12 June	Pray for God's blessing and protection over the schools in Wem that the children may have a stimulating and safe learning environment.
Tues 13 June	Pray for those who work in the Health service under increasing pressure, that the problems of staff shortages may be properly addressed.
Wed 14 June	Pray for Rev John Jukes and his wife, Denise, that they may know the help and direction of the Holy Spirit in their ministry here in Wem and the Benefice.
Thurs 15 June	Pray for the Churchwardens that they may have help and support as they carry out their duties in the churches of the Benefice.
Fri 16 June	Pray for opportunities 'to give the reason for the hope that you have' among friends, family, neighbours and other encounters you may have.
Sat 17 June	Pray for God's blessing and protection on the people of Wem, Weston and Lee Brockhurst, in all their social activities this weekend.

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.