

Church Intercessions 18.4.2021 Easter3

Father God, you promised us that heaviness may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning; in your mercy, hear our these our prayers.

Let us pray:

Lord, when you came down to lift us up, you became human, that we might share in the divine, you died that we might rise to life immortal. Help us to live as those called to believe, serve and trust in you.

Father, help us to strengthen and sustain your sheep.
Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer

As our world faces many threats due to our failure to heed your word we are confronted daily in the media with conflicts over borders and land, power struggles and civil wars and terrorism.

Lord you have given us wisdom and creativity and the means to pool our knowledge for the common good. Loving God, we ask that you strengthen the resolve of leaders to end the fighting and choose a future of peace, reuniting nations and peoples worldwide.

We pray for, those in our armed forces who serve to keep the peace overseas, and those who wait at home for their safe return.

We remember the victims of natural disasters thinking of the recent floods, cyclone damage and those affected by the changes in lifestyle created by the pandemic here in Australia and overseas.

Heavenly Father, help us by your grace, to feed and care for your lambs.
Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer

Lord God, our Saviour, has no body on earth now; no hands, no feet but ours. Ours' are the eyes with which he looks in compassion on this world; ours' are the feet with which he walks to do good; ours' are the hands, with which he blesses all the world: we are his body. Help us to reach out in His name .

Loving Father, we pray for Reverend Dway in his ministry among us and this parish. Give him strength in mind, body and spirit to carry out the tasks incurred in running this church.

Lord, as you have called us all to your service, make us, the people of your Church, worthy of our calling. Help us Lord in our own way to project a positive image of our faith by following Jesus' example in daily living and like Peter become fishers of men.

Father, Help us to gather your sheep
Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer

Lord, we give thanks for those who share their lives with us, our families, our friends and our neighbours. We thank you for all those who help to hold the community

together, as we build up our common life. Help us to be part of the solution, rather than part of the problem. We pray that we may be aware of the needy and provide for those who lack food, work or shelter, particularly in these times of economic difficulty.

And we think now of the elderly, the housebound and those in care homes, hospitals and hospices and for those who, with skill and compassion, care for them all.

Father, Help us to tend your sheep.
Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer.

Lord, help us to know you as the one who raises us from death, as you raised your Son, our Saviour. We pray for those whom you have enfolded in the love and peace of your kingdom. And we pray that you will keep them in life and joy everlasting. Lord, guide us with your counsel and be the strength of our hearts, that we may not fall but rejoice in the life of your eternal city; through Jesus Christ our Mediator.

Father, Help us to prepare your sheep
Lord in your mercy, Hear our Prayer.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ and together we pray the prayer Jesus taught: Our FatherAmen