

## Intercessions for Fourth Sunday after Trinity Year A – July

5th 2020

Holy God, and Lord of the Dance, we raise our prayers to you in the power of the Spirit which unites us with Christ Jesus trusting that you will hear our prayers and use them to accomplish your will for the world and for the church.

*Lord, in your Mercy: **Hear our Prayer***

Faithful God, we pray for all people who seek to follow your way in their lives. Let your church speak your word of truth with confidence and in unity so that those who are searching and listening will be able to see and hear clearly your message of love and peace.

We pray for the Bishop Stephen Cottrell elect as he is officially confirmed as the 98<sup>TH</sup> Archbishop of York later this week on the 9<sup>th</sup> July.

*Lord, in your Mercy: **Hear our Prayer***

Creator God, we pray for people and nations whose troubles, brought about by the global pandemic, drown out your music of harmony and where the violent heat of anger seeks to destroy your word of peace.

*Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer***

Father God, in our own community we pray for: the people around us in our neighbourhoods. Give us sensitivity and insight into their needs and vulnerabilities so that we may learn truly to love our neighbours as ourselves. Help us to be responsible and sensible in all our interaction with those around us so that we do not increase the chance of infecting, or being infected by, those we meet.

We pray for: those living on Knowsley Terrace, Knowsley Drive, Knowsley Green. Knowsley Avenue.

Sarah and Claire Hilton, Taiya and Hayden Arundel,

Kit Harrison Snow Ilingworth-Lomas, Lexie Ashworth Pringle, on the anniversary of their baptism.

*Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer***

Gracious God, we pray for people we know who are ill, anxious or bereaved, and for those that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens.

We pray that you will lead them, and us, in peace towards healing and wholeness of mind and spirit, praying especially for: Jean Smith,

Christine Moorfield, Leslie Hodinott, Elizabeth Mayall, Enid Firth, Evelyn, Mary, Betty, Heap, Mary Lawton, Angela

*Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer***

Merciful God, many people die by violence, war, and famine each day. Show your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly for these sins against your love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace.

We remember those whose anniversary is near: Warner Perrins, Mavis O'Brian, and the 52 victims of the London underground bombing in 2005.

*Lord in your mercy: **hear our prayer***

Loving God, we offer ourselves to you in faith and confidence. Show us as we go out into the world how we can best prepare ourselves to be part of your response to our prayers. Fill us with the Spirit of life which was in Christ Jesus, your Son and our Saviour.

Merciful Father: **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

## **Prayers for the 72<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the NHS**

God of healing and compassion,  
we thank you for the establishment of the National Health Service,  
and for the dedication of all who work in it:  
give skill, sympathy and resilience  
to all who care for the sick,

and your wisdom to those engaged in medical research.

Strengthen all in their vocation through your Spirit,

that through their work many will be restored to health and strength;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Everlasting God,

at this time we lift to you

those from all nations and backgrounds

who work on the front line in healthcare.

Give them skill and wisdom in their work.

Be their strength and their shield

as they give of themselves in the care of others.

Amen.

(<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/topical-prayers/prayers-anniversary-nhs>)