

Suggested Prayer topics for April 2020

Mondays Pray for all those who had hoped to be taking holidays this month but now can't. Pray for them nonetheless to find rest and to feel refreshed in faith. Pray also for God-honouring family relationships as time is spent together and for opportunities to enjoy God's Word and prayer.

Tuesdays Pray for the leaders who until last month have been working with children and young people at All Saints. During this unsought sabbatical from their normal ministry, ask God to sustain them in their own spiritual life. Pray for our children's parents to be faithful in prayer and Bible teaching and for children to grow up knowing and loving the Lord Jesus.

Wednesdays Pray for those who are unwell, sad, lonely or bereaved at this time, that they would know and trust the loving care of the God of all compassion. Thank God for the gift of our National Health Service workers and other key workers, still working tirelessly to support everyone during the lockdown. Pray for those providing medical equipment and working on a vaccine. Pray for an end to the Corona-virus crisis.

Thursdays Pray for those in positions of leadership in the church: for Simon Scott and his family; for the churchwardens (Tim Glauert and David Brock), the Treasurer (Miles Baillie), the rest of the PCC and for the staff team (Alison Hynds, Josh Cairns, Monica Cragg, Tom Habib and Liz Halliday).

Fridays Pray for all those serving as leaders in our country and our local area, for The Queen, for Boris Johnson and for Members of Parliament. Please also pray for wisdom and godliness for the Archbishop of Canterbury and others in positions of authority in the wider Church of England, including the Bishop of Ely (Stephen Conway), the Bishop of Huntingdon (Dagmar Winter) and the Bishop of Maidstone (Rod Thomas).

Saturdays Pray for our external mission partners, with additional anxieties about health and funding and concerns about being far from home in a time of great difficulty. Ask God to enable them to keep proclaiming the wonderful message of a crucified Saviour. Pray also for the Persecuted Church around the world. Pray for those suffering under oppressive governments and for all who are even now under continuous threat of harm and displacement.

Sundays Give thanks for the resurrection of Jesus from the dead on the first day of the week and pray with confidence for an end to the immediate crisis of the Corona virus and then for grace to endure all the unknown long term consequences, especially economically and emotionally. Thank God that we can look forward to a new heavens and the new earth when our Risen Lord returns.

