

***"The Lord bless you and keep you.***

***The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.***

***The Lord turn His face to you and give you His peace."***

 **Numbers 6: 24-26**

* ***Lord of comfort and peace, we ask that you be with all those who suffer pain and anguish in bereavement; and for all who are struggling with infirmity or pain in body, mind or spirit.***

For those in hospital and at home;
surround the frightened with Your tenderness;
give strength to those in pain;
hold the weak in Your arms of love, and give hope and patience
to those who are recovering.

***We bring before you now:***

Audrey, Sue, Sarah, Leah, Debbie, Stephen, Norman and Jean, Anne and Ian.

Also we bring before you in name, all others we know personally who are suffering at this time.

Thank you, Jesus. **Amen**

*Sunday 4th September 2022*

**Prayer Letter**

***Lord, God hear me as we pray,***

For all Church leaders across our nation, and in our parish for our Vicar Dave and for the work of Alison through Ashar and those attending Starting Point.

For Steve and Lisa in their mission with the poor in India and in our Parish.

For Matt and Rosie and everyone involved in helping in Matt's ministry with children and young people across our Parish.

For all who attend our Church, that they may know your loving presence and accept You into their lives, knowing your love and forgiveness for each them.

For our Baptism team in all they do in helping parents bring their children to Baptism in our Church.

For those in our Worship group whose work and skills as musicians help us to be free in our praise and thanksgiving to You.

**Pray for an end to wars in our troubled World**, especially for the people of Ukraine suffering so much during the intense ongoing fighting in villages, towns and cities.

**Almighty God,** from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed; kindle in the hearts of all people the true love of peace; and guide with your pure and peaceful wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; **Amen**

**We pray for the people of Pakistan affected by the severe monsoon floods which have devastated one third of Pakistan.** We bring before you all those made homeless, the loss of livestock and harvests and especially the suffering of so many caused by the loss of life and injury. **We also pray that every government of every nation** will now work tirelessly to invest to provide solutions and create employment opportunities in new technologies, to prevent the rapidly increasing damage to the world, caused by human induced climate change.

**In this Your beautiful but fragile world which You created for us to be stewards of,** bless all who dedicate their lives to its care, and to all who within their hearts and in their minds and bodies have the passion skills and energy to protect its climate, oceans, forests, plants and creatures for us and all future generations. ***Amen***

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***Lord God hear me as we pray,***

For the families and friends of those who have lost their lives in cold open water tragedies in our rivers, seas, canals and lakes and that all will heed the advice about the dangers involved to prevent further loss of life as the warm weather continues into early Autumn.

For all affected by disruptions to public transport on our railways, channel crossing services, refuse collecting and air travel.

For successful arbitration and just and affordable pay settlements to bring to an end the mass industrial action across various sectors of the economy during the cost of living crisis affecting so many across our nation.

For solutions to be urgently enacted to prevent millions of people going into energy poverty this coming winter.

For the many businesses facing an uncertain future, as the coming increase cost of energy supply threatens their businesses and the livelihoods of those they employ.

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***Lord God, here me as we pray,***

For Elizabeth, our Queen. We thank You Lord God for her long life of service and her faith in Jesus Christ which is an inspiration to us all.

For all those is positions of power and leadership in every political party in Parliament and in local or devolved Government across the nations of the United Kingdom. At this time we bring before you in prayer the next Prime Minister, whoever that may be.

For our Emergency Services, Armed Forces and Frontline NHS and Social Workers. Also for all who give their time as volunteers in service to help others in need or in distress.

For the people of our town and for all who visit for leisure and recreation and those who travel to and from Blackpool for their work.