

Heavenly Father,

As we begin to think about our Lent journey,
guide us to the path that leads to you.

Fill our hearts with gratitude, patience, strength,
and peace as we strive to become the-best-
version-of-ourselves,
honestly admitting our shortcomings and sins.

As we renew our resolve each day to become
better people, let us hear your voice in the
deepest reaches of our hearts.

Give us rest in you.

Help us to accept others,
showing them your great love instead of casting
judgment.

Stay with us through the busy days.
Remind us that when we need comfort,
solitude, wisdom, or guidance,
we can always turn to you.

Help us develop discipline and generosity and
come closer to you through prayer this Lent.

In your name we pray,

Amen.

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The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up all who are bowed down.

Psalm 145:14

God of love
hear the cry of those who yearn for love;
fractured families, broken homes
neglected, unwanted, alone.

God of love

Hear our prayer

God of justice
hear the cry of those who yearn for justice;
persecuted and oppressed,
exploited, ill-treated, broken.

God of justice

Hear our prayer

God of peace
hear the cry of those who yearn for peace;
in battle zones and broken states,
frightened, fearful, anxious

God of peace

Hear our prayer

God of healing
hear the cry of those who yearn for healing;
physical and spiritual
hurting, weakened, depressed

God of healing

Hear our prayer

God of mercy
Hear the cry of those who yearn for mercy;
convicted, in need of your Grace,
contrite, humble, bowed down,

God of mercy

ALL: hear our prayer

May you know the peace of God,
the love of God, the justice of God,
the healing and mercy of God,
this day and all days

Amen

If you have any suggested items for inclusion in the
April Prayer Diary, please pass these to
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Prayer Diary

March 2019



St Bartholomew's
Church

The Lord, your God,
is in your midst,
a mighty savior,
who will rejoice over you
with gladness,
and renew you in his love.

Zephaniah 3:17

‘Even now,’ declares the Lord, ‘return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.’ Joel 2:12

March 2019

Let us pray

Frid 1st: for everyone joining the **World Day of Prayer** and particularly for our brethren in Slovenia.

Sat 2nd: for the **crisis in Venezuela**.

Sun 3rd: for **Paul and Nicci and our Ministry Team** leading our church community forward.

Mon 4th: for **the children in our church**; for their **leaders in Sunday School**; for **Messy Church**.

Tues 5th: for **the government and all parties**; for a **coherent plan** for our country as Brexit approaches.

Wed 6th: for ourselves and our church community as **Lent begins**.

Thurs 7th: for everyone living in **Pound Close**.

Frid 8th: for women, particularly those in challenging circumstances on this **UN International Women’s Day**.

Sat 9th: for the work of **Street Pastors**, particularly those in Witney.

Sun 10th: for our **Christian brethren** living under the **threat of persecution**.

Mon 11th: for the work of **Open Doors** in countries where it is a criminal offense to be a Christian.

Tues 12th: for the **safe delivery of Bibles** to persecuted Christian; for the work of the **Bible Society**.

Wed 13th: for **Christians in prison** for their faith often on trumped up charges; for **their families**.

Thurs 14th: for **those in training to preach and lead** in hostile countries.

Frid 15th: for **Christian families** living in fear of arrest or mob rule.

Sat 16th: for **political change, tolerance and understanding** in countries hostile to Christians.

Sun 17th: **let us thank God** for our safe and comfortable lives.

Mon 18th: for **peace in the Middle East**.

Tues 19th: for everyone living in **Tristram Road**.

Wed 20th: for **those worried for the future**, their future employment and business.

Thurs 21st: for **the elderly and housebound**.

Frid 22nd: for all the **new people** moving to our village; for **visitors** to our church.

Sat 23rd: for the **people of the USA**; for sensible and compassionate government.

Sun 24th: for **Pope Francis and Archbishop Justin**.

Mon 25th: for new **Diocesan President of the Mothers’ Union, Maureen Weston** being commissioned today.

Tues 26th: for **the Queen, Prince Philip and the Royal family**.

Wed 27th: for **those dealing with depression or mental illness**.

Thurs 28th: for everyone living in **Bartholomew Close**.

Frid 29th: for ourselves and our country on this **Brexit Day**.

Sat 30th: **let us thank God for the Spring**.

Sun 31st: for our mothers as we celebrate their gifts to us on this **Mothers’ Day**.

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**I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;
he heard my cry for mercy.
Because he turned his ear to,
I will call on him as long as I live.**

Psalms 116:1,2