

Create a clean heart in me, O God:
a humble heart, a meek heart,
a peaceful heart, a benevolent heart,
a devout heart which does evil to no one,
which does not repay evil for evil,
but overcomes evil with good,
which loves you above all things,
thinks always about you,
speaks about you, gives you thanks,
and has its citizenship in heaven.

Amen

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Lord Jesus Christ,
I rejoice continually in Your glorious
and triumphant victory over death.
For Your victory is my victory.
Help me to live by it, in it, and for it.
I am grateful to my depths,
grateful forever.

Amen.

Selwyn Hughes

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It was now about noon, and darkness came over
the whole land until three in the afternoon,
for the sun stopped shining.
And the curtain of the temple was torn in two.
Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into
your hands I commit my spirit."
When he had said this, he breathed his last.
The centurion, seeing what had happened,
praised God and said,
"Surely this was a righteous man."

Luke 23:44-47

Lord God,
You loved this world so much,
that you gave your only Son,
that we might be called your children too.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and
grace of Easter Sunday, everyday.

Let us have hearts of thankfulness
for your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon
your grace and rejoice in our salvation.
Help us to walk in that mighty grace
and tell your good news to the world.

All for your glory do we pray,

Amen.

Rachel Marie Stone

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Easter Children's Prayer

God made you and God made me,
He made the world for us to see.
God loves you and long ago,
He sent his Son to tell us so.
Jesus showed us many things,
To love and share and dance and sing.
To learn and pray, to help and care,
He promised he'd always be there.
He died but then came back to life,
Let's celebrate for he's alive!

Amen.

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

April 2021



*St Bartholomew's
Church*

Jesus said to her,
"I am the resurrection and the life.
The one who believes in me will live,
even though they die;
and whoever lives by believing in me
will never die."

John 11:25-26

You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. **Acts 3:15**

April 2021

Let us pray

Thurs 1st: for **easing of racial tensions** in our country following the latest government report.

Frid 2nd: for ourselves as we remember the **horrors of the cross** and what it means.

Sat 3rd: for our **Christian brethren** across the world this Easter.

Sun 4th: **Christ is risen! Hallelujah!**

Mon 5th: for **Europe and USA** fighting surges in Covid cases.

Tues 6th: for those in our church community **suffering illness in body, mind or spirit.**

Wed 7th: for **people facing difficult times** ahead with treatment and care.

Thurs 8th: for **carers of all kinds**; for the support they give.

Frid 9th: for **NHS staff** looking after us so tirelessly.

Sat 10th: for friends with Parkinson's and Parkinson's like symptoms particularly on **Parkinson's Day** tomorrow.

Sun 11th: for the **children's work** in our church community; for outreach post lockdown.

Mon 12th: for our **safety and well being** as lockdown is eased.

Tues 13th: for our **Muslim brethren** as **Ramadan** starts today.

Wed 14th: let us **thank God for the glorious spring.**

Thurs 15th: for everyone living on **Sealham Road** in Ducklington.

Frid 16th: for a **fair and rapid distribution of the Covid vaccine.**

Sat 17th: for **Paul and Nicci, Dave and Ian** as they lead our church family.

Sun 18th: for our celebrations today marking **Fritillary Sunday.**

Mon 19th: for **children and students** returning to formal teaching.

Tues 20th: for people suffering from MS during this **MS Awareness Week.**

Wed 21st: for **those in detention camps in China**; for those speaking out about the atrocities committed in them.

Thurs 22nd: for our **Christian brethren in China**, persecuted for their beliefs.

Frid 23rd: for the **increasing influence** China has throughout the world.

Sat 24th: for the work of **Open Doors and The Bible Society** supporting Christians across the world.

Sun 25th: for the **Persecuted Church** throughout the world.

Mon 26th: for the **food banks**; for generous donations to them; for those who need to use them.

Tues 27th: for **homeless people** both at home and refugees abroad.

Wed 28th: for **Boris Johnson** and his government.

Thurs 29th: for **the Queen and the Royal family**, particularly Prince Philip.

Frid 30th: for everyone living on **Starnham Road** in Ducklington.

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May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear. And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.

Amen