O God,
Create a clean heart in me,
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,
delights in hymns and spiritual songs,
and has its citizenship in heaven.

Amen.

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God of reconciliation and grace,
you promise us a world where all is new,
where love is born when hope is gone,
where broken relationships
are restored to wholeness.
May we live as people
who know your story of love,
and may we have the vision
to imagine what could be possible
if we dared to live this story.
God of abundant life,
may we be witnesses of love,
hope and peace,
and co-creators of your life in the world.

Amen

I ask for daily bread, but not for wealth,
lest I forget the poor;
I ask for strength, but not for power,
lest I despise the meek;
I ask for wisdom, but not for learning,
lest I condemn the simple;
I ask for a clean name, but not for fame,
lest I condemn the lowly;
I ask for peace of mind,
but not for idle hours,
lest I fail to hearken to the call of duty
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Oh Lord Jesus Christ,
by your almighty power
you opened the eyes of the blind,
and showed yourself to them.

Turn our eyes away from worthless things,
and lead us to love you sincerely;
through your mercy.

Oh Lord our God, you are blessed,
and live and govern all things,
now and forever.

Amen.

God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy. **Pope Francis**

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If you have any suggested items for inclusion in the April prayer Diary, please pass these to Faith Truran by 20th March. 01993 708645 faith@truranfamily.co.uk

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Prayer Diary

March 2023



Rejoice always,
pray continually,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is God's will
for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16

Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking Him by prayer and pleas for mercy with fasting and sackcloth and ashes.

Daniel 9:3

March 2023

Let us pray

Wed 1st: for those attending the **Lent talk** this evening.

Thurs 2nd: for everyone living on **Feilden Close** in Ducklington.

Frid 3rd: for the political parties in **Northern Ireland** to find a new Protocol; for peace.

Sat 4th: for **those who feel helpless and hopeless** about the present and future

Sun 5th: for the **Persecuted Church** throughout the world; let us thank God for our freedoms.

Mon 6th: for the families of **Margaret Weaver** and **Alexandra Baish** as their ashes are buried today.

Tues 7th: for the work of **Open Doors** and **The Bible Society** supporting Christians across the world.

Wed 8th: for **Christians living in fear** of Boko Haram in Nigeria.

Thurs 9th: for **fair pay settlements** for those who strike; for sensible negotiations.

Frid 10th: for the **Asylum Seekers** living in our midst and our efforts to help them.

Sat 11th: for the proposed **Afterschool Club** for the Asylum Seekers; for the organisers and teachers.

Sun 12th: for the **children's work** in our village and church community.

Mon 13th: for **families in difficulties** during this cost of living crisis.

Tues 14th:for the **Trade Justice Movement** following Trade Craft's financial collapse.

Wed 15th: for **the housebound and frail** in our village and church community.

Thurs 16th: for **those facing a difficult or life changing diagnosis.**

Frid 17th: for everyone involved in **Messy Church** today.

Sat 18th: for **the government** and their efforts to sort our country out; for fairness and compassion.

Sun 19th: we remember **our Mothers** and their lasting legacy.

Mon 20th: for **the stressed or mentally ill**; for their families and carers.

Tues 21st: for everyone living on **Lovell Close** in Ducklington.

Wed 22nd: for the work of the **Food Bank** and **the Fridge**; for those who need to use them.

Thurs 23rd: for **the homeless** living in and around our community; may they not be forgotten.

Frid 24th: for **the people of Ukraine**; for resolution and peace.

Sat 25th: for the work of the **Pastoral Team.**

Sun 26th: for our **ministry team**: Andrea, Dave and Johan and our **wardens**: Gill and Martin.

Mon 27th: for the children from the school as they enjoy the **Easter Experience** today.

Tues 28th: for everyone living on **Peel Close** in Ducklington.

Wed 29th: for the **Agape Meal** in church this evening.

Thurs 30th: for everyone at **Warm Space** today.

Frid 31st: for **Betsy and George**, their family and friends as they are married today.

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O Lord, mercifully hear our prayer.

Stretch forth the right hand of your majesty to defend us from all enemies that rise up against us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.