Dear God our heavenly Father, look upon us and hear our prayers during this holy Season of Lent. By the good works You inspire, help us to be renewed in spirit. Without You we can do nothing. **Bv Your Spirit** help us to know what is right and to be eager in doing Your will. Teach us to find new life through repentance. Keep us from sin, and help us live by Your commandment of love. God of love, bring us back to You. Send Your Spirit to make us strong in faith and active in good works. May our acts of repentance bring us Your forgiveness, open our hearts to Your love, and prepare us for the coming feast of the Resurrection of Jesus. Lord, during this Lenten Season, nourish us with Your Word of life and make us one with You in love and prayer.

with You in love and prayer.
Fill our hearts with Your love
and keep us faithful to the Gospel of Christ.
Give us the grace to rise

above our human weaknesses.
Father, our source of life,
Guide us in Your gentle mercy,

for left to ourselves we cannot do Your Will.

Father of love, source of all blessings,
help us to pass from our old lives of sin
to the new life of grace.

Prepare us for the glory of Your Kingdom. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

Amen.

(a Catholic prayer)

Creator God, our anxious eyes look ahead and see rising prices, striking workers and energy shortages.

In the midst of our worries help us to find security in your unceasing love for us.

We ask protection for the weakest, courage for the vulnerable and hope for the frightened.

Do not let our worst fears come to pass,

but flood the hearts of those

who make decisions

with generosity, compassion and justice.

And so may your children be glad to be alive and turn to you with grateful praise.

Amen

Peter Grayson, Diocese of Southwark

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Heavenly Father
You are the source of all hope
and the light that shines in the darkness.
Fill my heart with hope,
Lord, and help me trust in Your plan,
even when I cannot see the way.
Renew my faith and grant me the strength
to persevere through the challenges I face.
In the name of Jesus, I pray.

Amen

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If you have any suggested items for inclusion in the March prayer diary, please pass these to Faith Truran by 20th February 07791877817 faith@truranfamily.co.uk



Prayer Diary

February 2024



For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

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

February 2024

Let us pray

Thurs 1st: for everyone living on Witney **Road** in Ducklington.

Frid 2nd: for **the war in Ukraine**; for the wounded, the homeless, the terrified.

Sat 3rd: for Presidents Putin and **Zelinsky**: for them to find a settlement for peace.

Sun 4th: for our **ministry team**: Andrea, Dave, Johan, Roy and Mary.

Mon 5th: for the family and friends of **Marjorie Soffe** who has died recently.

Tues 6th: for **the homeless** – especially this winter; for the organisations who try to help.

Wed 7th: for our **Singing Group** meeting today; for the blessing that they bring.

Thurs 8th: for refugees and those who have lost so much due to the wars currently raging in our world.

Frid 9th: for the remaining hostages still captive by Hamas; for hope for their safe return.

Sat 10th: for **the war in Gaza**; for mercy, restraint and forgiveness.

Sun 11th: for the Persecuted Church throughout the world especially Christians in the Middle East.

Mon 12th: for our school children and their families as half term begins.

Tues 13th: for the **Lent Home Group** starting this evening.

Wed 14th: for our **Ash Wednesday service** this evening as Lent begins today.

Thurs 15th: for the people in Ethiopia affected by famine and civil war; for safe passage for the organisations bringing relief.

Frid 16th: for all who bear the costs of the **climate crisis**; for the global postcode lottery stacked against the poor.

Sat 17th: let us unite today with **Open Doors** to pray for the **Underground Church in** Central Asia; for their steadfast faith in the face of terrible persecution.

Sun 18th: for the **Light Event** in the Village Hall today.

Mon 19th: for **our elderly and infirm** friends and family.

Tues 20th: for everyone living on **Moors Close** in Ducklington.

Wed 21st: for **Maria** as she sets off for her work in Africa.

Thurs 22nd: for those joining together at Warm Welcome Space today.

Frid 23rd: for the work of the **Pastoral** Team.

Sat 24th: for those suffering from **stress or** any mental illness.

Sun 25th: for our Church Wardens: Gill and Martin.

Mon 26th: for the work of the food bank and those who need to use it.

Tues 27th: for the **continuing work by so** many at the hotel to bring help and hope to the asylum seekers there.

Wed 28th: for those facing a terminal diagnosis: for their families.

Thurs 29th: for everyone living on **Dale Walk** in Ducklington.

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, delights in hymns and spiritual songs, and has its citizenship in heaven. Amen.