

Intercessions Palm Sunday - 2020

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need
as if we were caring for you.
In this time of anxiety, give us strength
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,
and to assure the isolated
of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

God of compassion,
be close to those who are ill, fearful or afraid.
In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light;
through Him who suffered alone on the cross,
but reigns with you in glory,

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

For those who are ill

Merciful God, we entrust to your tender care all those
who are ill or in pain, knowing that whenever danger
threatens your everlasting arms are there to
hold them safe. Comfort and heal them, and restore
them to health and strength through your Son our Lord
Jesus Christ. We pray particularly at this time for...
Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

For hospital staff and medical researchers

Gracious God,
give skill, sympathy and resilience to our NHS staff
and to all who are caring for the sick,
Give your wisdom to those searching for a cure.
Assist them by your Holy Spirit,
that through their work many will be restored to health;
Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

A prayer for those who are ill or self-isolating, or may think they have the virus

O God, help me to trust you,
help me to know that you are with me,
help me to believe that nothing can separate me
from your love
revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**All. Merciful Father, accept these prayer, for the
sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. AMEN**