

Intercessions Easter 7 - 2020

Let us pray to God, who alone makes us dwell in safety. We pray at this time for the health and well-being of our nation. Dear Lord, please help our prime-minister and all government ministers and advisors. Help them in their decision-making so that as a country we will be able to prevent the spread of the Corona Virus. We also pray for our scientists and all those who are assisting in developing vaccines and medicines to stop the virus from spreading.

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

Lord, we pray for all those in the caring professions. Particularly at this time we pray for our care homes in the parish – for Wild Acres, for Warren Lodge and for Valerie’s Care home. We thank you for the care workers who daily risk their lives for the well-being of their residents. Please look after them and their families and the elderly residents who they care for.

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

Lord, we also pray for your protection over all our NHS staff and our emergency services. Thank you

for their courage and commitment, their compassion and their love, and may we be prepared to assist them in whatever way we can.

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

Lord God we pray for your Church, and for all those who serve as leaders and pastors of your people. We ask that they will always seek to follow your example by showing love to others. May we as your representatives be alert to those who are isolated, housebound or in any other need.

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

We now pray for all those who we know and love who may be suffering in body, mind or spirit, at this time. We pray at this time for.....

Lord in your mercy: Hear our Prayer

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**