

INTERCESSION FOR SUNDAY 20th JUNE 2021 – Written by Joy Scovell

Gracious Father. By your spirit you guide us in prayer and today we come to you with thanks, knowing we can open our hearts and share with you our hopes and fears as we strive daily to live our lives according to your will.

On this World Refugee Day we think about the courage, will and strength of every human who is forced to flee their home. We pray your loving intervention can bring hope and light into their lives and that of their children who face an uncertain future.

We live in times of conflict and division throughout the world, and you have called on your Church to be peacemakers and reconcilers. We pray that Christian leaders everywhere can show us the way through faith, take care of the earth and act for peace and justice for all.

Lord in your mercy Hear our Prayer

Today, as we say goodbye to Rev Gemma, we are so thankful for the time she has been with us and ask your blessings to be upon her and her family as she joins a new Parish. Surround them with your spirit and be with them in their new beginnings.

Be with our Clergy as they steer us through the ongoing challenges and changes in the pandemic lockdown plans, and we ask that you will give them the patience, wisdom, and courage to make the right decisions in the busy weeks ahead.

Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

Loving Father. We pray for all named on our news sheet and in our thoughts. Those who are ill, lonely or in despair and for the families of the bereaved. We pray that you can bring comfort, hope and healing into their lives. When they are afraid give them the courage to have faith in you and remain with them always with love and compassion.

For those who have recently died we pray for their souls and for their loved ones who are grieving their loss. We give thanks for all who were in our lives and are now in your loving care and may we, with them, come to the fullness of joy in your eternal presence.

Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

Gracious Father. Help us not to be blind to the Grace you so freely give us and may we act together as one to serve the poor, feed the hungry and welcome the stranger. May we offer all that we are and all that we have, in the service of Christ and to live our lives courageously every day in your name.

Heavenly Father. Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour

Jesus Christ. Amen