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CHANNEL ISLAND DAY OF PRAYER

Sunday 29th March at 6pm

Dear friends and colleagues, brothers and sisters in Christ

Following the 'Day of Prayer' instigated by the Archbishop of Canterbury last week on Mothering Sunday for the Anglican Church, I am calling for an Ecumenical Day of Prayer on Sunday 29th March, for the **whole of the Channel Islands**, as, together, we face this pandemic of Covid-19.

Mindful that churches may be streaming services in the morning, I am asking all church leaders in their various denominations to contact their church members to encourage them to pray on Sunday and collectively at **6pm**, specifically for:

- those who lead our Island communities and the difficult decisions that they have had to make.
- those who have Covid-19, both in the wider world and within our own communities.
- those in the healthcare profession who are caring for them and working long hours at great risk to themselves.
- those who are anxious and afraid and who are far from home.
- Those who are bereaved.
- those who have lost their jobs and income and are at financial risk.
- that we, as Christians, may be servants in our communities, united in our faith and committed together in prayer.

Please join with me in using this prayer and/or others at or around 6pm as we bring to God our concerns.

**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. Amen.**

Please spread this message as widely as possible, using social media so that all Christian communities are united purposefully in prayer this coming Sunday.

Yours, in Jesus Christ

Mike

*Cast all your cares on Him for He cares for you
1 Peter 5:7*