

Intercessions Mothering Sunday A,B,C

Eternal God, you are constant with your people.
Like a mother you draw all your children to your heart . . .
Guide us in the ways of truth that we may rejoice in your bountiful goodness.

Holy God, your presence is always before us.
We give thanks for all who have nurtured us and helped us to grow in faith and trust
. . .
Bless all midwives of the Gospel.
Increase your Church in hope and courage to proclaim your love.

God our Father and Mother, you allow us to share in your creative purpose.
Sustain and keep all parents and children,
that through the love that is shared our lives may be blessed . . .
Be with all for whom this days brings pain and regret to the fore.
Transform us through your brooding grace.

God our succour and protector,
in times of plenty and need, you cradle our lives in your hands.
We entrust to your care all in any kind of need . . .
Encircle them with your love and keep them ever within your tender mercy.

From the cross your Son commended his mother to the care of his beloved disciple.
Hear the cry of all who mourn.
Comfort and sustain them in their grief . . .
Bring us to rejoice with you in the New Jerusalem, our heavenly home.

Ian Black, Intercessions from Years A, B and C (London: SPCK, 2009)