



Prayers for November

1st to 7th:

God of heaven and earth, in these times of isolation, apart from loved ones distant from friends we thank you for your love that never fails. May this love continue to be shared through the kindness of strangers looking out for each other, for neighbours near and far all recognising our shared vulnerability, and willing everyone to know the gift of a full and healthy life. Keep us all in your care.

8th to 14th:

In this week of remembrance, we pray for those who have lost loved ones in conflict, and through the collateral damage of war. We think of those close to home in our army, navy and air force. We remember those on the other side to us in conflict and remember the deep scars that mark our world whenever there is war. May our remembering be for new beginnings so that lives lost are the foundations of new worlds.

15th to 21st:

Lord you tell us:

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God.”

So we pray for all who work for peace: peace in relationships, peace in communities, peace in politics, peace in places of conflict, peace for the body, mind and soul that all might see themselves as Gods children.

22nd to 28th:

Let us pray for the people affected by prison: the prisoners, their families, the victims of crime and their families and the staff who work there. Pray for the work of prison chaplains and volunteer visitors. Give strength and wisdom to those entrusted with making decisions about justice and how it is enacted.

29th Nov. to 5th Dec:

Lord, as we look around at our world today we see people everywhere who have lost hope. Lord, restore our hope; remind us that our hope is in Jesus, in his death and resurrection. May the light of hope shine out from us that others may see and desire it for themselves.