

# A prayer for our diocese

Make your ways known upon earth, Lord God,  
**your saving power among all peoples.**

Renew your Church in holiness  
**and help us to serve you with joy**

Grant that every member of the Church  
may truly and humbly serve you:  
**that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.**

We pray your blessing on the next Bishop of Chester,  
strengthen them to answer your call  
and to lead your Church in this diocese.

Lord of the Church  
**hear our prayer**

Give us wisdom to hear your voice  
and to know the paths which we should walk for your glory.

Lord of the Church  
**hear our prayer**

May your Spirit unite us in the love and glory  
of the Father and the Son

**May we be one so that the world may believe.**

As you sent your Son into the world  
**so send us, to make your glory known.**

**Amen.**

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