

Intercessions for Sunday 3rd May 2020

Some prayers to share, to offer and to make our own.

Lord God, creator of all that has ever been, is now, and is to come, we give you grateful thanks and praise for the beauty and bounty of the world in which we have our being. Help us always to be mindful of the trust that you have placed in us to be good stewards of the world and all that is in it, for the benefit of all and for future generations.

Lord in your mercy...**Hear our prayer**

Father God, our good shepherd, we pray for the leaders of the world that they may hear your voice and follow in the ways that you have made known, of justice, love and peace.

Lord in your mercy...**Hear our prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, we pray that we may place our trust in you and God our Heavenly Father so that being freed from fear we will be free to make your love known to all, and following your example may serve without counting the cost.

Lord in your mercy...**Hear our prayer**

May you grant Lord that we may be still and know with body mind and soul that you are God.

Lord in your mercy...**Hear our prayer**

Father, Son and Holy Spirit we bring before you in our prayers those who feel as though they are in a dark valley with no obvious way forward. We pray that you will make your presence known to them, shepherd them to a place of safety, grant them healing and restore them to wholeness of life.

Lord in your mercy...**Hear our prayer**

Lord God in whom we place our trust and find our rest, we give thanks for the wondrous gift of life. We bring before you those who have died, giving thanks for their lives and for the way in which their lives have become part of the lives of those whom they have loved and now leave behind. Bless those who mourn. Heal the broken hearted. Grant to them the hope of eternal life which your Son, who died, was buried and who rose again, has promised.

Lord in your mercy...**Hear our prayer**

We must speak to God with perfect simplicity, telling Him all our thoughts, even our complaints. Since our sufferings are allowed by Him we may make our 'plaint to God as our Lord did, but we should complain with all reverence, love, submission, unbounded and loving conformity to His will. (words of Dietrich Bonhoeffer 1906-45)