

### **Intercessions for 13th June 2021**

Father God, we approach your throne of grace with our concerns, our burdens and our thanksgiving for all your people throughout the world. Help us to put our trust in you and in our Saviour Jesus Christ who taught us that you love us as a parent and want only what is right for us. May the seeds that are being planted in our Team churches grow into branches that reach out into every part of West Hereford and help us as we try and focus on the big issues that sometimes threaten to overwhelm us.

#### **Lord in Your mercy. – ‘Hear our prayer’**

We pray for the Christian Church throughout the world and especially for churches in places where religious faith is suppressed or where Christianity is an unwelcome minority.

We pray for our clergy, Ruth and Jo, for our readers and our retired clergy and for all who serve on the PCCs of our churches, and we pray for guidance and wisdom in all the work that they do which enables the Team to function day by day.

#### **Lord in Your mercy. – ‘Hear our prayer’**

Creator God we pray for our world which seems to be forever caught up in violence and conflict.

Through the media we are witnesses to terrorist violence in so many parts the world. As we continue to pray for peace and goodwill towards all people we also pray for the innocent victims and their families caught up in conflicts which are not of their making.

We pray for our world leaders and for our community leaders, and those in public office dealing with difficult situations and especially for those dealing with the ongoing Pandemic. Help us to always be aware of the part that we can play by acting carefully and unselfishly.

#### **Lord in Your mercy. – ‘Hear our prayer’**

Gracious God we pray for our children and young people. Be with those who are taking important examinations at school and university and those starting new lives in the world of work. Help us, through our Christian life to create a society where both young and old, gifted and less able feel valued and proud to be a part of society.

#### **Lord in Your mercy. – ‘Hear our prayer’**

Loving God we think now of those in need in our own community and further afield; the elderly, the housebound and those in care homes, hospital and hospice. We also remember the victims of violence, abuse or cruelty. We give thanks for all those who care for the sick within the family, and for all our medical and voluntary services.

#### **Lord in Your mercy. – ‘Hear our prayer’**

We pray for those who face the pain of grief at the loss of a loved one. Help us to support all those who mourn, both with our prayers and with practical help both this day and in the days and weeks to come. We remember before God those who have died and ask that those bereaved by their passing are aware of the light of Christ which eternally shines and brings so much hope.

#### **Lord in Your mercy. – ‘Hear our prayer’**

Lord we ask you to lead us into the coming week, Help us to believe that you are close by us, keep us from making mistakes and help us never to disappoint you. When we face hard decisions or difficult work, when we enjoy ourselves and have fun with others may we know that you share these times with us.

**Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen**