

Parish of St Stephen's Norbury & Thornton Heath Intercessions.

THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his bountiful gifts.

May the Church, trusting in the will of God, be shielded from anxiety and doubt. May she be faithful to fulfil his purpose for a rich harvest of the spirit. We pray for your Church's role in helping to steward and protect creation; we pray for the Environmental Office in the Diocese of Southwark.

Lord in your mercy...

THE WORLD

We give thanks for the love which brings food from the earth for the life of all its creatures. We pray that those who control the natural resources of the world shall be wise in their management and generous in their allocation. Look with compassion on the poor and hungry; grant them relief in their need. We pray for the peoples of countries currently suffering from famine, for: Sudan, South Sudan, Gaza, Yemen, Somalia, Haiti and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Lord in your mercy...

THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

We continue to pray for all those who live Chipstead Avenue and Foxley Road; for the homes of those who attend St Stephen's but live outside of the parish. Give us grateful hearts for the good things which we have received and for the joy of sharing them with others. Bless and guide those who provide for the daily needs of this community. We pray for the work of Croydon Nightwatch.

Lord in your mercy...

THE SICK AND SUFFERING

We pray for those who are unwell at this time, that they may know God's healing and his peace. We continue to remember: SONIA COOPER, ELFINA FERNANDES, MILDRED SKINNER, BARBARA MYERS, ETA MARCUS, DAPHNE IRVING, HELEN LEADER, MALCOLM WALKES, JACKIE THOMPSON, HILDREM FERNANDES, REBECCA AKPOSHERI, LILY DEY, YVONNE MCKENZIE, SUSAN WADE, FRANKLYN HIGGINS, JENIFER MORRIS, MARGARET MURRAY, VERONICA CADOGAN, WILL CURRY, MICHAEL GORDON, ERROL LODGE, LORRAINE FRENCH, KEN DOE, ERIN CRICHLAW, MAURICE COOPER, ROSE MCDONALD, DEAN WILLIAMS, LENROY WALLACE, ANDREW MARER, VAL HIGGS, DOLORES BISNOUTH, BILLY COCKELL, CHARLIE PEDDER, ERIC RICHMOND, GEORGE JAMES, RICHARD BROWN, ABDOL JAULIM, BARBARA KERIN, PETER WHITE, ELAINE BIDDISS, CHRIS MARCELLE, KEZIAH BROOKS, DONOVAN COOPER and CALEEB HUGHES. We pray too for the lonely, the anxious and the bereaved.

Lord in your mercy...

THE DEPARTED

We remember before our heavenly Father all the departed: all those who have died recently including **Ermine Linton, Nigel Worn (priest), Shenik Francis, Leonard Eze, Irene Amara, Dennis Jawahir and Nicole Beling**. Those whose anniversary falls at this time; and for those who have no-one to pray for them. May all who have gone before us be gathered into the full joy and peace of heaven. **Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.**

We join our prayers with those of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Stephen, St Bernard, and all the Saints in glory.

MERCIFUL FATHER ACCEPT THESE PRAYERS, FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR SON OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST, AMEN.