

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

THE CHURCH

Let us pray in faith to God for the Church and for the world.

Grant that the Church may always follow in the way of Christ, proclaim his truth and love his risen life. Keep Christian people in knowledge and service of the Father, that his will may be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Lord in your mercy...

THE WORLD

As the disciples were led to understand and taught to seek God in prayer, so may those who are counted wise in the world learn where true wisdom is to be found. Teach those in positions of authority to know that all earthly power is given from above. We continue to pray for the people of Iran and all Middle Eastern states during this time of conflict, and for the peace of Jerusalem.

Lord in your mercy...

THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

When our hearts are troubled, bless us with faith to offer strength and assurance in our homes and in our work. Bless those in this community who help by teaching or example to bring people to know God and to walk in his ways. As we draw close to our APCM, we pray for our life here together at St Stephen's.

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, CLAUDETTE KAYUN, DAPHNE ERVING, HELEN LEADER, MALCOLM WALKES, JACKIE THOMPSON, REBECCA AKPOSHERI, LILY DEY, YVONNE MCKENZIE, SUSAN WADE, FRANKLYN HIGGINS, ALAN ROSS, JENIFER MORRIS, MARGARET MURRAY, VERONICA CADOGAN, WILL CURRY, MICHAEL GORDON, ERROL LODGE, LORRAINE FRENCH, KEN DOE, ERIN CRICHLow, MAURICE COOPER, ROSE MCDONALD, FELICITY LUNDBERG, LENROY WALLACE, LASSIE JACOBS, SIMON TREWIN, LINDA NORRIS, CHARLIE PEDDER, ERIC RICHMOND, RICHARD CRANE, FRANCIS POLE, JUNE JACKSON, PEARL ALFONSO, ELAINE BIDDISS, CHRIS MARCELLE 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 **Gabriel Harry, Sue Powell, Otis Moore and Joy McPherson**. 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.