

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

THE CHURCH

Let us pray for that the Church and the world shall be conformed to the sovereignty of God.

Grant that the Church may reveal the loving power of God in her works and in her worship. As we seek to use rightly the gifts we have received, teach us to honour those in every generation to make known your commands. We continue to pray for our Diocese as we discern who the next Bishop of Southwark will be.

Lord in your mercy...

THE WORLD

Compassionate God, who sent Jesus Christ to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities, create in us new hearts and enlarged visions, to see the image of God in every person irrespective of background, race and ethnicity. May we be generous in our love of others as we work towards ending racism and injustice; creating communities of human flourishing, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lord in your mercy...

THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

We continue to pray for all those who live Brook Road and Chessell Close; for the homes of those who attend St Stephen's but live outside of the parish. Bless us with the grace to tell our families and friends and all our acquaintances that all good things come from God and to show that faith in our lives. May this community be blessed with justice and compassion in all that affects the welfare of its members.

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 CRICHLLOW, MAURICE COOPER, ROSE MCDONALD, DEAN WILLIAMS, LENROY WALLACE, ANDREW MARER, VAL HIGGS, DOLORES BISNOUTH, BILLY COCKELL, CHARLIE PEDDER, ERIC RICHMOND, GEORGE JAMES, RICHARD BROWN, ABDOOL 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), Jean Hodgkiss, Shenik Francis, Leonard Eze, 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.