

## Intercessions for 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021 – Trinity 4

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We come to God to pray for ourselves and for the world, for the much-needed healing of all our relationship, whether on a global, national, community or personal level, and for the peace and transferring power of God to come to our world.

We pray for our world's leaders and the choices they have the power to make for our nations and then for the peace of the world. The choices that need to be made for the protection of the environment, the lives of the poorest, the health of the weakest, the security of us all. Where there are broken relationships through conflict and misunderstanding, we pray for the resolve to pursue dialogue and not violence.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, deacons and lay readers of our churches for all their work towards healing between churches, communities, denominations and new ideas. We pray especially for those who have been ordained this week and we pray for Lin as she presides at her first communion service this morning at Christ Church. We pray for all those whose daily work is amongst the families of their communities and pray that they may bring peace and wisdom.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift in prayer all those who are ill, especially those we know personally, in a moment of silence. We also pray for those to tend them, for doctors, nurses and care staff. We pray for all involved in medical research, that they may do their job responsibly, and for the good of all humanity.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died, that they may find eternal rest with God, in a place where there is no more grief or suffering, but life and light. In a moment of silence we remember those we know who have recently died and their families.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

And we pray especially for ourselves, where change begins. May we recognise our own value systems and choices with Jesus' words of life in our minds.

May the transforming love of God, the power of God's Word, Jesus Christ, and the call of the Spirit enable us to change ourselves, our communities and our world, and to value most those who need us most.

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