

## *Intercessions for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021*

We offer ourselves with all who have lived holy and dedicated lives;

Lord, make us to be numbered with your saints.

We give thanks for the life and witness of John the Baptist.

We pray for all who have been imprisoned for their faith,  
for all who at this time are facing persecution or danger,  
especially those in India who are of a minority faith.

We pray for all who stand firmly for freedom and justice.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, support all who seek to support others,

all who care for the homeless, and those at the margins of our society;

In our city, we pray for those who work with the Refugee and Migrant Centre and  
with City of Sanctuary.

We pray for politicians and staff in the Home Office and Border Agency, that they  
may treat all persons fairly, respecting their dignity as human beings,  
especially those who are vulnerable or are fleeing persecution.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

We pray for all who speak out for the communities to which we belong,  
for our city councillors and community workers.

Bless our homes, our families and friends,  
support with your love all who sustain family life.

We pray for families that are in trouble at this time.

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**and grant us your salvation.**

God, lover of the poor, be a strength to the powerless.

We pray for those who lack the resources they need,  
for communities with poor medical supplies,  
all who lack food or shelter, any denied a proper education.

And we remember all in sickness, and pray especially for those known to us.

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**and grant us your salvation.**

Glory to you O Lord, for you give us the victory over death.

We pray for the saints who stood firm and witnessed to your love;  
we pray for those departed, our loved ones and others known to us,  
both those who have died at peace with their family and community,  
and those who have died with things left undone and words unspoken.

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**and grant us your salvation.**

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