



Longniddry Church

PRAYER DIARY

November 2020

1 All Saints Day. We give thanks for inspirational saints who have followed the Christian Way.

2 Help us, Lord, become one of the saints who 'come marching in' as we also follow the way of Christ.

3 At this difficult time we pray that those who have lost loved ones will find support and comfort.

4 Thank you for the glorious colour and rich fruitfulness of Autumn.

5 Dear Lord, please grant us the blessing of sleep, secure in your loving presence.

6 As we live with the pressures of the Covid pandemic we pray for understanding and cooperation among those who lead and make decisions on our behalf.

7 We give thanks for all the many people across the world who are working hard to produce drugs, vaccines and treatments to help Covid patients return to health.

8 On Remembrance Sunday we remember with love and respect all who served our country in WW1, WW2 and more recent conflicts. Thanks you for the symbol of the poppy. "Lest we forget."

9 We remember those who will receive Blythswood shoeboxes in Eastern Europe this year and thank all who have filled shoeboxes.

10 We pray for joy as we live out our commission to share your love and care for others.

11 On Remembrance Day we pray for veterans and families of those killed or damaged in mind or body in the service of their country. We ask that the charities which support them will receive enough funds to keep going.

12 We give thanks for the time and effort people have put into maintaining contact with church members and others during these uncertain times.

13 We give thanks for Jesus Christ and all he brought into the world.

14 May the peoples of the world come together as they cope with so many common issues.

15 It is God who holds the nations in the hollow of his hand: it is God whose light is shining in the darkness of the land.

16 Thank you, Lord, for all your blessings -for the strength you give me each day, for friends, family and loved ones nearby and at a distance.

17 Loving father, thank you for our new approach to worship in all its many forms, revealed by the Covid lockdown. Thank you for guiding us in more positive use of our spiritual time.

18 Let us remember with sensitivity those who find this time particularly painful through grief, separation or alienation.

19 Raise our eyes to see your glory and delight in the wonder around us.

20 Loving Father, please bless all care workers whether in the community, hospital or nursing home.

21 Thank you for the opportunity to go out into gardens or parks and for the beautiful countryside around us.

22 We pray for those who are isolated at home especially if they feel lonely and insecure. May they find that your love can reach and sustain them.

23 May we find the joy of laughter and shared humour with those we communicate with and in radio, television and other media.

24 So many suffer with mental health problems. May they receive the care, love and understanding needed to alleviate their situation.

25 “Remind us that you are a living God, still at work, still planning and promising.” Very Rev Susan Brown.

26 We pray for those struggling with low or lost income, unemployment or homelessness that they will receive food, shelter and warmth for themselves and their families.

27 In a constantly changing world we give thanks for the constancy of God’s love, the compassion of Christ and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

28 ‘Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed : make us content with the things that we need.’

29 On this first day of Advent, help us to see the real importance of this time of year, which might be difficult for so many.

30 On St Andrew’s Day we pray for our country at this extremely difficult time -that love, responsible action and understanding will reflect the example of one of Christ’s apostles.