



Longniddry Church

PRAYER DIARY

June 2021

1 As we start to come out of lockdown, remember those in other parts of the world still needing medical help.

2 Thanks for renewed contact with loved ones -family and friends and the opportunities to go out and about together.

3 A Christian Aid prayer for India. God of power and might, we lift our brothers and sisters in India to you. We pray for your protection and provision; we pray for the nations of earth to have compassion. Compassionate God, draw close to those who seek your refuge today.

4 Loving Lord, we thank you for the promise of your presence in our lives even at times when we are finding circumstances so very difficult.

5 We pray for wisdom in our new politicians. May they listen to the will of all people.

6 May your loving presence be felt by those who are experiencing loneliness or depression. May we be aware and sensitive enough to give comfort and support to those in need.

7 'Feel for the people we most avoid – strange or bereaved or never employed: Feel for the women and feel for the men who fear that their living is all in vain.'

8 We pray for success for young folk who are dealing with assessment tests and exams so important for their future path in life, that they will not become too anxious or stressed.

9 'Father, hear the prayer we offer, not for ease that prayer shall be, but for strength that we may ever live our lives courageously.'

10 Thank you for lengthening days and the promise of summer to come.

11 We pray for all struggling across the world with the impact of climate change. Let us prayerfully support all efforts throughout the world to counteract global warming.

12 'Look forward in faith, all time is in God's hand. Look forward in hope, he gives us each new hour.'

13 Please bless our elderly neighbours and acquaintances who have been isolated for so long. We think especially of those with birthdays at this time.

14 Thank you for our teachers and other school staff as they work so hard to enable young people to realise their potential.

15 We pray for the Church as we find ourselves in very different and challenging times.

16 Help us better understand our Christian calling in our home, neighbourhood and further afield.

17 Remember all struggling with mental health problems.

18 Please bless the work of Mercy Ships which transform lives, powered by volunteers, doctors, dentists, nurses and teachers. "Powered by love, hope and mercy."

19 Let us help those diagnosed with dementia and their carers.

20 Father's Day. Thanks for all fathers.

21 Thank you for your comforting words "I will never leave you or forsake you" as worldwide we move through this global Covid 19 pandemic.

22 May those on waiting lists for medical treatment find comfort from you, Lord, and from those around them.

23 We pray for those in the NHS and Social Care and Services who are exhausted after the demands of the pandemic, that they will have the strength and resource to move forward to new challenges.

24 Thank you for all those involved in developing and providing vaccines.

25 Please help us listen to one another and share with one another in a caring way.

26 Let us pray for families in hard times, needing a home, food, heating, access to the internet or mental support.

27 Thank you for all who go to places of conflict and desperate need, giving of themselves to provide and care for others.

28 Help us move forward in love that lives through troubles and testing and faith that rises above difficulty and division.

29 Prayer for Healing: O Lord Jesus Christ, to whom the sick were brought that they might be healed and none were sent away without your blessing, look in mercy upon all those we bring to you in prayer for healing of body or mind and grant them the blessing of your saving health. We ask it to the glory of your name.

30 Prayer for God's World: Lord God, in whose hands are the destinies of the nations, we pray for all rulers of the peoples of the world. Make them defenders of liberty and champions of justice; and so rule in their hearts that they may also be promoters of peace; through him who is the Prince of Peace, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen