'Let us pray'

Heavenly Father, thank you that no matter our own personal demons, for those who repent, Your gospel extends such amazing Grace and Hope and Love.

Lord we pray for the needs of the World.

We pray for the Middle East, for those caught up in the violence and conflict that is so often reported in our news.

We lift up to you all those working to bring peace and for those involved in relief efforts.

We pray for Fair and Just and Godly leaders to rise up.

We ask that you equip and guide us as a church to reach out to refugees and to be able to share the gospel. We thank you for projects that are helping to do this.

For those coming to Faith, that you would provide good discipleship, that these new seeds would grow in maturity.

'Lord In Your Mercy' hear our prayers

Lord we pray for our local communities.

Thank you that we as a nation are so blessed with our schools, our hospitals, our doctors, our emergency services and our social care. Where there is lack of staffing and resources to provide World class care please let there be effective leadership and adequate funds made available to fill the gaps.

We pray for those affected by homelessness. Thank you for the cold weather shelters that provide much needed food, warmth and shelter. We pray for long term solutions to the rising homelessness in this Country and protection for the vulnerable.

Help us as a church to provide support where we can.

We pray for a way out for those living in poverty. Thank you for the work of the food banks in this Country and for all those who donate and volunteer.

'Lord in Your Mercy' hear our prayers.

Lord we pray for the ministry of the Church.

We pray for Alan and the time and energy he puts into his ministry here and at St Mary's. We thank you for the wisdom he can share with us from studying your word and spending time in your presence. Inspire him each day Lord to continue walking closely with you. Protect him and his family and drawer them ever closer to you.

We thank you for the church schools, for the staff and volunteers who are faithfully serving in their communities.

We pray particularly for St Andrews School and thank you for the great effort from the staff and pupils who have recently achieved fantastic key stage 2 SATS results.

Thank you for all those children and young people who are able to hear your gospel. Plant seeds of Faith in their lives Lord and help their teachers, parents and us a church to help those seeds to grow.

We pray for Tracey and for her work with our children and young people here and in our schools, messy church, after school clubs and in the holiday club we have been able to run here. Provide adequate funds for her Ministry to continue here at St Andrews.

Thank you for everyone who Faithfully serves here at church. Thank you too for all those involved in activities that happen through the week that provide support to those in our local communities.

'Lord in Your Mercy' hear our prayers.

Lord we pray for all who are unwell or in pain at this time, in particular..

Lord you are gracious and compassionate, abounding in love. Please bring healing.

Lord we remember those who have died; for ...

Grant them peace Lord and for those who grieve for them comfort and hold them.

We pray also for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time and for their loved ones who continue to feel their loss; for...

As we go into this week, remind us that 'Great are Your works Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them' and that 'Every good and perfect gift is from above coming down from you our heavenly Father. Grant us a grateful heart and remind us to bring our praises to you.

'Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen