



**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION FOR SUNDAY  
TRINITY 12  
30 AUGUST 2020**

We pray for the church, throughout the world, here in this place, and those who are still not able to join us for worship. We pray that the church everywhere may be ardent in serving the Lord by manifesting God's love for his creation, by faithfulness of teaching and by practical action, extending hospitality so that none may be strangers for long. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for an end to the current plague and for all the misery it has caused and is still causing. We pray for a desire to build a better world than the one that led us to this present pass. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all places in the world where natural disaster, warfare and tyranny are contributing to misery, but which concerns close to home may cause us to forget. We pray for those who work to bring relief and those who work to forward the cause of justice and peace. We pray for a change of heart in obdurate leaders and a generosity of spirit in the hearts of wealthy nations. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for our children and young people at the start of a new school year. We pray for all teachers and those who have the job of re-opening schools in the current difficult circumstances. We pray that they may all be kept safe so that the vital task of education can proceed and all pupils may be equipped to expand their horizons so that their lives may be lived to the full. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who are in special need at this time:

For those suffering the effects of Covid-19,

For those who are sick from other causes,

For those whose diagnosis or treatment has been delayed,

For those who are anxious,

For those who have no work, or fear the loss of a job,

For those who are short of money,

For those who are in fear at home,

For those who have no home,

For those who feel isolated and alone,

For those who are bereaved,

For the dying.

And we pray for all those who seek to relieve the suffering of others.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for all the demonstrations of love in action that we have seen over recent months, all those instances of self-heedlessness in the service of others, and we pray that this may become a basis for building a better tomorrow. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves, that, no matter what our circumstances, hopes and fears, we may know the love of God in our hearts, and, in that sure knowledge, may face the future boldly.

Merciful Father

**Accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**