

Intercessions for Easter Sunday 2020

Heavenly Father on this Easter morning we want to thank you that your son our Saviour Jesus Christ died was buried & today we celebrate that he rose again.

Dear Lord may we realise afresh this Easter Sunday what your death & resurrection means for us..

Forgiveness ... Victory ... Freedom to have a personal relationship with You.

Thank you that because of your death on the cross & victory over death by your resurrection, the way was paved for us to have new life with you.

Lord death could not hold you & because of this, we too can live.

Renew our hearts, minds & lives for the days ahead.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Lord the Coronavirus pandemic has affected all of us regardless of wealth, class or country But we thank you that in the midst of the darkness, fear loneliness an unexpected unity has arisen. We thank you for our community here in Graywsood & Haslemere

This is a time to unite in prayer & friendship a time we invite your power O God to intervene. Lord in our weakness as a community & a nation we ask that we will see your Kingdom come & your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

We name quietly to ourselves & to you our Heavenly Father, those who are on hearts at this time ...

We also thank you for answered prayers that we have seen

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Lord we lift the many who are grieving

For those that have lost loved ones but could not be close to them .. either through sickness or isolation.

May you bend down & kiss each lonely person with your Grace & Love .

May they be aware of your loving arms around them, we ask they will feel the security they need within those empty days or nights.

Be more than they can imagine.

For those who are caring for the sick, lonely, weary, elderly sustain them we ask, give them all the skills, strength & protection they need for the role they have to play.

We pray for an unexpected breakthrough for a vaccine, medication to control this virus.

Give the scientists the knowledge & resources they require.

Lord in you mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our Prime minister as he continues to improve, we pray for strength, wisdom not to rush back into full office until he is well enough.

For those in parliament who are serving you & us in this country we ask that they will be guided by the experts & we pray the guidance will be correct.

Our Queen we thank you for her Christian faith & her true faithfulness to her country. We pray she will know incredible strength & comfort as she trusts in you.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Finally we ask Risen Lord as we step away from this time of worship, we pray we will know You alongside us as we go into this day & into the week.

As we now have time to sit awhile, to speak with you, to listen to You maybe through nature as we walk through this beautiful countryside , may we hear that still small voice. And know that you are our Almighty God who cares for all you have created.

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