

The Prayers of the People

30 May 2021

The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine

Bidding

In peace, let us pray to the Lord saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

We join all the world's Anglicans today in praying for the Anglican Church of Mexico. In the Diocese today, we are praying for Trinity Wall Street and Saint Paul's Chapel, here in Manhattan.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us continue to pray for an end to the pandemic. Let us pray for nations where infection and illness are surging again, especially where variants of the virus are vexing scientists and bringing fear to the people. But let us also pray in thanksgiving for the advances that have been made, and let us pray for the safety of everyone as we emerge from the restrictions.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for all the world, its many nations and peoples. We continue to pray for the people of Israel and Palestine. We continue to pray for our own nation as we seek a way out of the division and discord. For what other nations should we be particularly mindful of today? Let us speak their names aloud or type them into the chat. *(A period of silence is kept.)*

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us be mindful of those in need or trouble, in danger or distress. Our prayers have been asked this week for Luis Rivera Rivera, deacon; for Cicely Rodway, and Grace; for André Gregory, Justin Dehnert, and Doug Walter; for Phyllis Murray, Zach Yezzi, and Jack Dorbin; for Andy Lilliston and Sonia; and for René Ennis. For whom else should we pray today? Let us speak their names aloud or type them into the chat. *(A period of silence is kept.)*

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for the safety of all who will travel during this holiday weekend, and the refreshment and renewal of those who will gather with family and friends, especially those who will be with their loved ones for the first time in many months.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray in gratitude for all that is good in our lives. As always, let us give thanks for the generosity of the Cathedral's benefactors, and let us pray God to inspire others to support the work Jesus is doing through us. For what else should we give thanks today? Let us call it to mind, or speak it, or type it. *(A period of silence is kept.)*

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for the for rest and resurrection of the dead. Let us be especially mindful of those who have died on the fields of battle. Let us see them, and name them, and, if we wish, type their names into the chat. *(A lengthy period of silence is kept.)* And let us pray, as the prophet Isaiah dreamed, that one day we will melt down our guns and turn them into tools for the harvest. *(A period of silence is kept.)*

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for others who have died. Our prayers have been asked this week for Bill Randolph; for Daniel Perez; for Richard Johnson, and for Ivan Imperator. For whom else should we pray? Let us name them in silence, or aloud, or in the chat. *(A period of silence is kept.)*

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider says:

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*