

The Prayers of the People

31 May 2020 (Pentecost)

The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine

Bidding

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

Petition

Let us join with Anglicans everywhere who this day pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, with its 200,000 members and 9 dioceses in the Solomon Islands.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us join with all the Episcopalians in the Diocese of New York in praying for Trinity Church, Wall Street, and Saint Paul's Chapel.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray for the comfort of the family and friends of George Floyd, and let us pray for an end to racial and ethnic inequality. Let us pray for the wisdom and the will to eradicate the hatred and disrespect that weave through our culture and its official structures. And let us beg God's mercy upon this land for the unspeakable sin of slavery.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

And for calm in our cities, and for the safety of those who protest, and for those whose property and safety are threatened.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us hold before God everyone struggling with coronavirus, and let us remember those who sustain us in these terrible times. Let us pray especially for the members of Saint Saviour and the friends of the Cathedral who are ministering as physicians: James Marion, Becky Kowalski, Steven Nichols, and Haydee C. Brown; for Faye Reiff-Pasarew, Antonio Dajer, Anna Goddu Stanicsenko, and other physicians and nurses and medical professionals of every kind we now call to mind. (A period of silence is kept.) And let us pray for hospital chaplains, especially the priests of our own Diocese who serve in health care.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Petition

Let us pray in these days of the world's and the country's re-opening that we might be spared another wave of horror and death. Let us pray for those who are angry at the restrictions, especially those whose anger is turning to violence. Let us pray for those who are terrified of what the re-opening might bring. We bring them all to mind and hold them before God. (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 sick and suffering. Our prayer have been asked for: Nat Queen, Ruth Eder, and Myrna Stephans; for Patrick Worrell, Richard Leong, and So Lai Leong; for William Scott, Steven Nedlin, Jack Nedlin, and Nam Bok Han. For whom else sick or suffering, in trouble or need, should we pray? (A period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us give thanks for life's blessings. As always, we give thanks for those whose generosity sustains the Cathedral. For what else should we give thanks this day? (A period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

Let us pray that God will gather into Jesus' glory all who have died, especially those for whom we have been asked to pray: Paul Rudd and Sam Selig and Asher Alexander Pleasants. And for George Floyd. And for the others we remember now, and name. (A period of silence is kept.)

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider concludes the Prayers with this or some other collect:

Lord,
hear the prayers of your people;
and what we have asked faithfully,
grant that we may obtain effectually,
to the glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.