

Prayer Focus 10th November 2019

Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, be with all who remember this week.

We pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict,
and for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war,
each one remembered by and known to God;

For those who love them in death as in life,
please comfort them in their distress and in the sadness of their loss;

We also lift to you those irrevocably changed by their service, mentally and physically,
be with them and their families as they face civilian life.

We pray for all members of the armed forces who are in danger at this time,
remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return;

We pray for civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war or terror,
forgive us for the anger and hatreds of humanity;

We give thanks for peacemakers and peacekeepers,

We pray God's blessing on all who seek to keep this world secure and free;
for all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious;
asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace;

O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish,
and those whose names we will never know.

Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world,
and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.

As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future;
for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. Amen.

EBC & Local Focus:- Give thanks that EBC is so blessed with many gifted musicians. Pray for people who enable us to worship week by week that they will be blessed as they serve the congregation. Give thanks also for all the tech and PA volunteers who play a vital role.

Street of the Week :- Days Road

Community Prayer Diary:- Purbeck View School - Ginny Bellard - head

National & World Prayer Points:-

Pray for all those who have been effected by heavy rain and flooding in Yorkshire and the Midlands. Pray for the emergency and environmental services as they work to control the situation.

Our nation is deeply divided; it needs people who can disagree well. And people who sow peace and reconciliation in their lives. Jesus said that our most distinctive feature must be the love we show one another (John 13:35); this election is the perfect opportunity to put that into practice.

Pray for the church, that we can be a voice for unity, as well as speaking up for the poorest and most vulnerable around the world.

Across Yemen 24 million people are in need of humanitarian aid and 9.9 million are at risk of starvation. The nation is also facing one of the biggest cholera outbreaks on record, with more than one million cases reported.