

Prayer Focus 29th March 2020

God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble. Psalm 46:1

Loving God we give thanks that no matter where we are, what we are facing,
You are always with us in our every situation.

Your presence, your closeness, your participation in our every experience,
every moment, is our strength.

When life seems bleak and conditions threaten to overwhelm us,
may we feel your spirit of love surrounding us.

In a world of uncertainty where life as we have known it has ceased and
we are overwhelmed by a sense of insignificance and confusion
over what to do and where to turn may we remember that you have promised
that you are always with us, you are in every situation we face, we are not alone.

God of peace and mercy you have shown us
that it is within our power to give hope to our world.

Yours is a message of love and hope and it starts with each one of us.

We pray for strength and encouragement for the many people of different faiths and no faith.

We pray for all the front line workers and their families.

We pray for those who are feeling alone and fearful.

We pray for those confined in stressful situations of domestic violence and abuse.

We pray for those facing financial difficulties.

We pray that the nations will look to you, recognizing our arrogance in ignoring you.

Help us to be still and know that You are God. Amen

EBC & Local Focus:- Give thanks for our local health and emergency services.

Street of the Week :- Quarry Close

Community Prayer Diary:- St Mark's School - Sally Craig - Head Teacher

National & World Prayer Points:-

Please Pray:-

That the church will be the light of hope in these dark times, caring for those around us and comforting those who mourn.

That decision makers, leaders and the medical community will have wisdom, resilience and compassion.

For persecuted Christians in countries where they are likely to have much less access to vital healthcare and relief aid.

Pray for people living in poverty, particularly those who are most at risk from coronavirus. Thank God that he stays the same and that we can depend on him in these uncertain times. Ask God to guide you in how you can use your gifts to respond to the coronavirus crisis and to help people around you in need.