

Heavenly Father, we thank you for our wonderful world with all the diversity of nature and peoples. Thank you for the comfort of our lives and we pray for all living in troubled times, often through no fault of their own, but without the basic essentials that we are privileged to enjoy.

We pray for those who lost their lives in terrorist attacks in Istanbul, Bangladesh and elsewhere and for their families and friends.

**Lord in your Mercy**

We pray for our country with the strong feelings and turmoil resulting from the EU referendum. We ask for wisdom from those involved in the selection of our next Prime Minister and pray for whoever takes that difficult role. We ask your blessings on all, originally from other countries, resident here, who are now fearful of what the future will bring, and too for UK nationals living abroad. These are challenging times and we ask you to equip us as members of your church to give us strength and wisdom to play whatever part we can.

**Lord in your Mercy**

Thank you for all who work in our church community and outreach activities, quietly undertaken, often unseen, in so many different ways. We offer our prayers for the Bayt Exhibition being held in our church next week, thank you for those who have offered to steward and greet and we pray that many will visit and appreciate the principles of love and peace underlying our world religions.

**Lord in your Mercy**

We pray for the church, that it may show leadership and offer direction to all Christians in these difficult times. We ask your blessings on our team curate, Ginni Dear, as she moves to her own parish of St Ippolyts in a new chapter in her ministry and on James, Seve and their families with their baptisms today.

**Lord in your Mercy**

Be with all those sick in mind, body or spirit. Give them an awareness of your loving presence. We name those who have asked for our prayers.....

And in a moment of silence, offer a prayer for those known personally to us.....

**Lord in your Mercy**

And the anniversaries of.....

We say together: **Merciful Father, accept these prayers**