

## **Intercessions Sunday 28 October 2018**

Today is the Feast Day of St Simon and St Jude, as well as being the last Sunday after Trinity.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for his goodness.

Almighty God, our heavenly father, you promised through your son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

Strengthen our Bishops and all your church, including Alan, Wendy, our curate, and all who serve here; that those who confess your name may be united in your truth, live together in your love and reveal your glory to the world.

*Lord in your mercy*

We pray for those many parts of the world where there is famine and flood, strife or unsettlement. We pray for those in the Philippines, Yemen and other parts of the Middle East, for the people of Venezuela. Give strength and support to all those who seek to help and treat them.

We pray for all those involved in and affected by the Pittsburgh synagogue tragedy

Also the Helicopter crash tragedy which took place near Leicester Football Club

*Lord in your mercy*

Bless and guide Elizabeth our Queen; give wisdom to all in authority, especially the leaders of the nations throughout the world,

Direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace, that we may honour one another and seek the common good.

Give those in authority wisdom and understanding, the ability to listen and to seek practical solutions for the good of all.

*Lord in your mercy*

We give thanks for the St Andrew's Centre, for all the organisations which use the Centre. For the many opportunities it brings for outreach, as a place of welcome and healing.

May the Centre and our church provide warmth and welcome, where all feel the sense of God's love and can find peace.

May this church be used widely and fill many community and well-being needs.

*Lord in your mercy*

We pray for all those recently married, especially Deborah and Pat Bartlett who were married in this church. Give them a real understanding of every aspect of living their lives together, both through the good times and when things get tough.

*Lord in your mercy*

We pray for those being baptised today, including Millicent Julia Grace Thornton, daughter of Nick and Rachel, grand -daughter of Jim and Viv.

*Lord in your mercy*

We pray for the sick and those who love and care for them. Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit especially....

Give them courage and hope in their trouble; and bring them the joy of your salvation

Hear us as we remember those who have died including Ray Furness, Maureen Barrett and John Barnes.

Give those who have been left behind strength and courage to cope.... and those whose anniversaries fall at this time....

*Lord in your mercy*

We rejoice in the fellowship of St Andrew and all your saints and commend ourselves and all people to your unfailing love.

Give us the ability to know our story, enable us to tell our story and to live our story.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen