

Noon prayers Saturday 16 May through Saturday 23 May 2020

Saturday 16 May Noon prayer

Gracious and Loving God,

Today we pray for those who are ill and those who care for them. Send your healing touch upon them and grant wisdom and strength to caregivers. We ask your blessing on all who are separated from their loved ones. Grant us patience and comfort until we can be together again. For all who will die this day we ask your peace and love. In Jesus' name we pray.

Sunday 17 May Noon Prayer

Today we pray the prayers of intercession from Sundays and Seasons which would have been in our bulletin.

Prayers of Intercession

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Abiding God, you have revealed yourself to us in the form of your Son, Jesus Christ. Embolden your church, as your followers, to reveal your love to everyone in our speaking and in our living. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You are the creator of heaven and earth. Revitalize the health of oceans, rivers, lakes, springs, glaciers, and other bodies of water that give life to your creatures (*local bodies of water may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You call all people of the world your children. Judge the nations justly, show mercy to the oppressed, and speak truth to power through your prophets. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You come near to us when we are lost, and you hear our distress. We pray for those who suffer in any way (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Your commands are good and merciful. Give us courage to take hold of our baptismal promises to work for justice, advocate for the voiceless, and free the oppressed and imprisoned in body, mind, or spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You remain with us always, O God, and your kingdom has no end. We remember the saints who have gone before us (*especially*). Unite us forever in your final victory over death. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

Monday 18 May Noon Prayer

Creator God,

This day we give you thanks for all the blessings that you give to us. As we continue to struggle with the pandemic and resulting restrictions give us your patience and comfort. For those whose finances and businesses are impacted we ask your blessing upon them. Give us your guidance and resources that we may assist them, so all your children are housed, fed, and clothed. In Jesus' name we pray.

Tuesday 19 May Noon Prayer

Loving God,

We give you thanks for all our first responders and those who support them behind the scenes. They will run to scenes of death and destruction while others run away. Keep them safe, give them the strength and support they need to perform their jobs. Be with their loved ones and comfort them. In Jesus' name we pray.

Wednesday 20 May Noon Prayer

Noon Prayer for Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Let us join in solidarity with those around the world by praying the Lord's Prayer at noon this day.

Thursday 21 May Noon Prayer

God of All,

We thank you for all essential workers. From those who manufacture goods to those who transport them and those who sell them. We recognize that these people are essential to our way of life. So many times, we have overlooked them but now we see them more clearly. Bless each of them and their loved ones. Keep them well and safe. In Jesus' name we pray.

Friday 22 May Noon Prayer

Loving God,

Today marks the start of what would be the summer season. In past years we would have looked forward to cook outs, trips to the beach, and other summer activities. We are saddened that those things are not available to us at the moment. Guide us through our grieving process and help us to remain positive and upbeat. Give us your strength to see that in the short term the restrictions are necessary and give us your hope that soon we will be able to enjoy all activities. In Jesus' name we pray.

Saturday 23 Noon Prayer

Gracious God,

Grant your wisdom to researchers and scientists who are working on cures and vaccines for COVID-19. Give them your strength and perseverance for the work ahead. Give them the skills and the resources that they need to complete their work quickly and effectively. We give you thanks for those who have donated plasma to help those who are struggling with COVID-19. Continue to give us generous hearts to support each other. In Jesus' name we pray.