

# Cycle of Prayer

## 1 - 5 July 2020



### Wednesday 1

In the parish of St Peter and Christ Church with Holy Trinity Derby. Clergy: Revd Canon Paul Morris, Revd Anita Matthews. Readers: Tim Benson, Margaret Phypers (PTO), Geoff Holland (PTO), PCC & congregation.

### Thursday 2

In the parish of St Giles Normanton-by-Derby. Clergy: Revd Neil Barber, Revd Steve Boswell, Revd Will Eley. Reader: Nigel Selby, PCC & congregation.

### Friday 3

On the feast of Thomas the Apostle pray for all those struggling to make sense of their faith. Pray that the Church may be effective and generous as it presents the story of Jesus.

### Saturday 4

The Venerable Peter Robinson who is to be the next Dean of Derby.

May God bless Peter, the next Dean of Derby,  
that in him may be found love and humility,  
obedience and thanksgiving, discipline, gentleness and peace.  
May the peace of God enfold him,  
the love of God uphold him,  
the wisdom of God control him,  
the joy of God be his strength when times are hard,  
the embrace of the Father be his comfort,  
the name of the Son be the one on which he relies,  
and the presence of the Spirit be with him every hour.  
May God's Spirit surround him  
and those whom he loves, those with whom he will work,  
and all whom he has been called here to serve.

### Sunday 5

We pray those named who are to be licensed today as Lay Workers, as their Ordination as deacon has been postponed because of the pandemic. Pray that they would be encouraged as they start on this transitional phase in what we hope will be a long and fruitful ministry, offering their service to the Church.

Rachael Brooks  
Sharon Murphy  
Sandra Till

Catrin Hubbard  
Malcolm Pyatt  
Alan Winfield

Nicola McNally  
Kate Smedley

### Prayers for the Coronavirus outbreak

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress.  
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour,  
and to care for those in need as if we were caring for you.  
In this time of anxiety, give us strength  
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,  
and to assure the isolated of our love, and your love,  
for your name's sake. Amen.

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in  
isolation.

In their loneliness, be their consolation;  
in their anxiety, be their hope;  
in their darkness, be their light;  
through him who suffered alone on the cross,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.