

In the words of modern hymn writer David Evans, Let us be still for the presence of the Lord is moving in this place. Almighty God our Heavenly Father you promised through your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. We pray for your church here in Ashdon and throughout the world.

We ask you to bless all who serve you in our dioceses of Chelmsford. For Guli and Roger our Bishops and all who have given their lives to serve you. We ask you to bless those who lead at local level, Jeremy our Rector, the clergy team and Romey with us today. May she find in us words of friendship and hugs of Christian love in her new role.

Lord in your Mercy, hear our prayer.

As we celebrate god's gifts of the harvest we turn to him in thanksgiving for the safe gathering of our crops, and pray for those involved in the ongoing fruit harvest and the perpetual harvest of fish from the sea. Help to share these gifts with the poorer nations of our earth, with the profound words of your son in mind "love your neighbour". Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer

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We continue to pray for all we know that are ill and suffering. In a moment of silence we name them before you. Especially those who recently mourn. 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. May your love dry their tears.

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We hold before you those who have passed away into your Kingdom of Light. Remember especially Tony Seddon.. We ask your blessing on his wife Christine and his family. Rejoicing in the Fellowship of Tony and all your Saints we commend ourselves and all Christian people to your unfailing love.

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