Prayers for 25 May 2025

by Julia

I am indebted to the Church of England for Wales Llandaff for two prayers for today.

For the Harvest of Lands and Waters

O gracious Father, you open your hand and fill all living things with plenteousness: Bless the lands and waters, and multiply the harvests of the world; send forth your breath, and renew the face of the earth; show your loving-kindness, that our land may yield its increase; and save us from selfish use of what you provide, that the poor and needy may give thanks to your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

For Agriculture and Farming

Almighty God, we thank you for making the earth fruitful, so that it may produce what is needed to sustain our life: Bless those who work in the fields; give us seasonable weather; and grant that we may all share the fruits of the earth, rejoicing in your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear Lord

Thank you for allowing to share your love today with our friends in All Saints and we realise that we are truly blessed to live in a wonderful community and healing community.

We pray for our community here in Ashdon for the Diocese of Saffron Walden and our Rural Dean, Jeremy Trew and our sister church St Botolphs in Hadstock.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick and bereaved and for those recently laid to rest in our community

Jennifer Williams Raymond Hammond Cherry Fisher John Pledger Sheila Hart

May your love and care remain with their families.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

We pray for Ashdon Primary School who are on half term at this time and hope that the children have fun and their teachers refreshed. We also remember the older children studying for GCSEs and A Levels and students at university completing exams and dissertations at this time and those leaving education for the world of work. Please stand by them when they are struggling and that their efforts may be rewarded,

We pray for the gift of families and realise that we are still needed by our children of whatever age they may be, whether it is to discuss their aspirations, milestones and when things are tough.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer hear our prayer

We ask for your support and love in the world where there is conflict, hatred and that this may cease, particularly in GAZA, the Ukraine and elsewhere. Guide their leaders to mediation and a permanent cessation of hostilities to enable their communities to be rebuilt.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen