Prayers for 21st June 2020 By Barbara

Dear Lord

Hear us when we pray to you, we cannot be together in your churches at the moment, but your words tells us that when two or three gather together in your name you are with us. We ask you to be with us and give us your love and send your spirit to help us through these strange times.

We pray for all that are still isolating give them hope and your spirit to comfort them.

Let us pray for our government and the governments of the world that they can work together to find a way to bring peace in these trouble times.

Monday is the 75th Anniversary of the arrival of the Empire Windrush at Tilbury docks. Bishop Peter has asked us to pray and reflect on the evil of racism in our past and in this present time.

Lord in your mercy

Be with our PCC on Wednesday and help us with our decisions on opening the church for private prayer.

We pray for the applicants who are putting in their application forms over this coming week for the post of Team Rector. May your guidance be with them and the team who will be doing this shortlisting.

Lord in your mercy

We pray for our community and the lovely part of the county we live in, the crops growing in the fields, birds singing and wild flowers in the hedgerows. Which all seem brighter and louder at the moment, Lord we are seeing beauty of your world with new eyes; please help us to look after your fragile world once we start getting back to our busy lives.

Lord in your mercy

We pray for people who are sick in body and mind and all that care for them and at this time for our Doctors and Nurses and keyworkers. May your hand of love and comfort be with them.

Lord in your mercy

Lord we ask you to be with all those who are grieving today over the loss of a loved one. We pray for the family of Ken Jeffries who passed away this week. May they be assured that they will meet again those whom they have loved and lost for a while. May your holy spirit comfort them.

Merciful Father.