**Dear Lord Prayers by: Julia**

Eternal Father, Thank you for the gift of baptism and revealing yourself to your son. We pray that you will be present and support families and friends of all who are put forward for baptism.

**Lord Hear our prayer**

We pray for the sick, particularly Malcolm Moore Janet and their family and those needing comfort. We pray for carers/nurses, medics and the emergency services who have worked so tirelessly during the first round of Covid and continue to do so in the second round. We pray that the hope given by the vaccine may continue and that this roll out will be effective.

We remember those that are continuing to isolate. We realise

that it may be sometime before communities can be as one and that families can join together and not be apart.

**Lord Hear our prayer**

We pray for the children and young people who may find the current situation difficult, particularly now their schools are closed. We hope that when safe, socialisation can be restored

We remember that families have been impacted economically and that they will need support. We also pray for the volunteers supporting this pandemic both in the UK and worldwide.

**Lord Hear our prayer**

We remember our friends in the Baptist community here in Ashdon.

We pray for St Mary’s Parish Church Saffron Walden and all the churches in the Team Ministry.

**Lord Hear our prayer**

We pray for the farmers in Ashdon and elsewhere preparing the land for next years harvest despite heavy rain. May their hard work and nurture be rewarded.

Help us all to move forward with hope and joy in our hearts and heal the heartbreak of Covid 19.

**Merciful Father accept these our prayers in your name.**

**Amen**