**7 March 2021 Prayers by Sarah**

Let us pray to the Lord that we may worship him in spirit and truth.

We pray for Jeremy Trew. We pray that you give him wisdom and guidance as he starts as Team Rector. We pray for all members of the clergy team and the congregations of the team churches as they welcome him and support him in his work.

Lord, forgive us when we fail to trust you. Through our times of trouble and difficulty, keep us and your church constant to worship you in spirit and truth.

As we return to a more normal life and restrictions are lifted, we pray for common sense and control to ensure everyone remains safe and we do not return to a lockdown.

We pray for the world and for the people of each country as they respond to the pandemic. We thank you for the role out of vaccinations and pray that the vaccine is made available to everyone around the world.

We pray for families and for those living alone. We thank you that soon we will be able to meet our wider family and friends.

We pray for those whose relationships have suffered from being in lockdown with family. We pray that you give them a voice to express their hurt and that there is someone to hear and help them.

We thank you that we will be able to worship you again in Church next week. We pray for everyone getting the church ready and preparing the Mothering Sunday service.

We pray for those who have died. Let them hear our prayers and know that they are loved and missed.

**Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your son our Saviour Jesus Christ Amen**