## PRAYERS FOR SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Let us pray that the Church and the world may be preserved from evil.

Gracious God, shield the Church against all that would damage her witness, from false doctrine, from pride, from indifference to life that seems to lie outside her care. Hear our prayers for the leaders of your Church; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Geoffrey, Abp of Adelaide and Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia; Philip, Archbishop of Melbourne, and for Genieve our Bishop. Give the Church's ministers wisdom to discern between good and evil and to guide their people in the right way.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gracious God, root out corruption in the high places of the world where power is misused and rights disregarded. Strengthen and prosper those who work against difficulty to bring a better life for others.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gracious God, may we seek to see and correct the wrong that is in ourselves and to discern and foster what can be used for good. Protect this community from all evil that threatens its peace and let all live together in harmony.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gracious God, bless our prayer and mission partner Anglican Overseas Aid, as it creates and strengthens partnerships in developing countries. Strengthen their work to overcome poverty and injustice and to relieve in disasters. May we inspire others to be compassionate, involved and responsible global citizens.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gracious God come in mercy to those whose lives have been blighted by misfortune or false judgement, those whose hopes have been unfulfilled, those whose minds are torn by temptation, bring them back to their place in the good harvest of your love.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gracious God hear our prayers for those in need, in body, mind and spirit, as we name before you:

Eddie Jager, Alan Tracey, Eleni Vargas, Kalman Warhaft, Tom, Caroline Miley, Mary Hoy;

heal each according to their need.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Gracious God be merciful to your servants who have gone astray in this world and have been called to judgement as we remember those who have died as a consequence of the pandemic and those who have died in recent days;

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and those who have died alone and afraid;

Restore in them your image that they have marred and grant them a place with those who have kept the faith, as we remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time;

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Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

May our prayers be accepted in the name of Christ who has planted us in righteousness.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.