

## **PRAYERS FOR FIFTHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

That all may do to others as they would have done to them, let us pray to the Lord.

Gracious God Give to your Church grace to speak the word of pardon and to show its power by her example. 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. Let all who confess the faith of Christ acknowledge the mercy they have received and in all things be slow to find fault in others, quick to forgive offences.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God have compassion on the nations which suffer under heavy loads of debt; bring a new spirit of generosity to those who have much, that they may be moved to relieve those who have little; may those who hold authority exercise it with mercy.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God guide us to be merciful to those who need our mercy; in all our relationships, may we be the first to forgive and make peace; bring the spirit of love to solve the disputes and demands which are in this community.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God bless our prayer and mission partner the Sorted Community as they build relationships with young people and empower them to help form new Christian communities. May participants find friendship and an opportunity to explore faith.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God bless we pray for those who bear a heavy burden of personal debt and find no way of escape; guide those who seek to

help them in their problems; have mercy on all who are imprisoned for debt, and on their families.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God may the sick and the afflicted, the lonely, the homeless, and those who are near to death, receive comfort and hope in the Lord as we name before you:

Anthony Schiavone, Pat Oswald.

Bless all who seek to relieve suffering keep them patient and constant in their work.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God we give thanks for the departed whose debts of sin committed in this world have been forgiven and who have entered into life where anger and fear have ceased as we remember those who have died as a consequence of the pandemic and those who have died in recent days;

The Rev'd William John Douglas (John) Stockdale...

and those who have died alone and afraid;

We pray that we in our time may receive the same mercy 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**

We offer our prayers through Christ who has cancelled our debt of sin.

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.**