

PRAYERS FOR ALL SAINTS

Let us pray for the blessings of God on the Church and the world.

Holy God grant that the Church, strengthened by the witness of the saints through all the ages, may bear faithful witness to the message of the gospel. 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. May all Christian people, called to be saints in their own time, be worthy of those who have gone before and kept the faith.

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

Holy God may all who work for peace in the world be blessed in their endeavour; may the meek and humble by their example move the rich and powerful to be compassionate and seek the common good.

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

Holy God make our lives more worthy of the blessings promised to those who follow the way of the Lord; may we be loving and peaceable in all our relationships and may our loving families and friends be led into holiness, and our whole community be blessed.

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

Holy 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**

Holy God have mercy on those who are persecuted for the sake of their faith, on all who are slandered and falsely accused; give them strength and change the hearts of those who oppress them. Holy

God satisfy those who hunger for the good food of righteousness and relieve those whose lives are constrained by the hunger of the body.

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

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

Sonya Gillies, Brian Monteith, David Nolte, Dorothy Maher, Connor, Andy Rogers, Anthony Schiavone, Kathleen Robinson, Pat Oswald;

heal each according to their need.

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

Holy God we give thanks for the departed who have run their course and are numbered with the saints in everlasting glory 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;

May we so live our lives that we too shall be received into their fellowship as we remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time;

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

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

May Christ, the Lord, the example and the support of all the saints, receive our prayers.

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.