

BIDDING PRAYERS – 10 February 2024

As we prepare to start our Lenten journey this coming week, let us pray that we may grow deeper in faith and understanding of the Gospel message, that we may open our hearts to the love that the Lord has for us.

- Let us pray for the universal church which has Christ for its shepherd, that we may follow his path of truth and love.
- We remember those in our local community of all faiths and especially this week at St Thomas's Oakwood.
- Let us pray for peace and reconciliation in our troubled world especially In Gaza, the wider Middle East and the Ukraine.
- Let us pray for the sick of our parish, those who care for them and those who have especially asked for our prayers.
- Let us pray for all those who have died recently

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- and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, that the Lord may lead them to everlasting life.
- And now let us ask Our Lady, Mother of Jesus and mother of us all to pray with us as we say, Hail Mary full of grace the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Let us pray for a moment in silence remembering our own needs and intentions