

## **Bidding Prayers for week beginning 16 Dec 23**

Let us pray that we may all come to know the reality of God's love for us, and bring this into our daily lives through compassion and care for each other and the planet.

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

Let us pray for peace; peace in our own hearts, in our families and relationships, and for peace across the nations of the world.

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Let us pray for all who are waiting for the birth of a child, may they be given patience and strength to cherish new life.

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Let us pray for our neighbours of all faiths and none, that may we contribute to a tolerant and safe community.

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Let us pray for the sick of our parish, those who care for them, and those who have especially asked for our prayers.

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

Let us pray for all those who have died recently

*John Lewington*

*Ian Gordon*

*Patricia Brazier*

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, that the Lord may lead them to everlasting life.

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

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 thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

And now let us pray for a few moments in silence.