Bidding Prayers 6th January 2024

Let us pray; for the Church, the Pope, our bishops and all clergy, that they may confidently proclaim the good news of peace, and be firm in their adherence to Christ's message of love, especially to the poor, weak or oppressed. **Lord in your mercy......**

Let us pray for peace and reconciliation in our troubled world. May the hearts of those filled with violence and hatred be transformed by the power and love of Jesus. **Lord in your mercy...**

Let us pray for all the persecuted Christians throughout the world, especially those in areas of conflict; that the Lord may come to their aid, and they may experience, hope, joy, and peace, in their daily struggles, while remaining steadfast in prayer: We pray for those who are persecuting them, that they may come to know God's mercy and love. **Lord in your mercy......**

Let us pray, for our parish and local faith communities, that we grow in wisdom and discernment, allowing our lives to be led by The Holy Spirit. We remember especially this week the congregation of Christ Church, Cockfosters. Our prayers are with St John the Evangelist, Palmers Green, which was damaged by fire recently. **Lord in your mercy.....**

Let us pray for an out pouring of God's love and healing on those who are lonely, or see little purpose in life; those who are facing unemployment, redundancy, and those who are facing uncertainty about their future. **Lord in your mercy.....**

Let us pray; for the sick of our parish, those who care for them, the lonely, bereaved, and those who have especially, asked for our prayers. **Lord in your mercy...**

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. **Lord in your mercy**....

Let us ask Mary Queen of Peace, to pray with us, as we say...

Hail Mary full of Grace the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among woman, 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 spend a few moments in silence, remembering our own needs and intentions.