

**BIDDING PRAYERS    33A   2020**

**PRIEST** God calls us to work for His kingdom. Let us pray now that we will use our talents well in God's service.

**READER**

The response to Lord, hear us is: That we may do Your will.  
We pray for all Christians ... May we use well the gifts we have been given, in order to spread the Kingdom of God on earth ... In our deanery prayer we remember Fr Manock and the people of St Vincent's, Norden ... And as they celebrate their patronal feast, we pray for Fr Croft and our neighbours at St Hilda's ...

Lord, hear us:                      That we may do Your will.  
We pray for ourselves ... May we all realize we belong to one family, and use our talents willingly and generously for the benefit of all ... Lord, hear us:                      That we may do Your will.  
We pray for the bishops of England and Wales as they meet this week ... That the Holy Spirit will guide them in all they say and do ... Lord, hear us:                      That we may do Your will.  
We pray for the success of the European negotiations ... that those who have to make decisions will make the right ones ...

Lord, hear us:                      That we may do Your will.  
We pray for those in our locality who are short of food or shelter ... And for the sick, especially: EILEEN BUTT; HELEN DONEGHAN; MAVIS DONNELLY; JUDE CAREY; ANGELA McMENEMY; MICHELLE MURPHY; THE DAVIS FAMILY; GARRY HOYLAND; CABRINI FAHRQUESON; PATRICK DUDDY; BRIAN HALL; MARGARET NOONAN; DAVID YOUNG; NICK COOTE; THE SICK PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE; and all in our local hospitals ... May they know the healing touch of the Lord ...

Lord, hear us: That we may do Your will.  
For the eternal rest of those who have died recently: BRIGID FOX; PAULINE BAMBRICK; TERESA LEECH; MAUREEN CLIFFORD; MICHAEL CAMILLERI; and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: EILEEN ENGLISH; SISTER ASSUMPTA HORNER; TOM GAHAN; THOMAS ALLEN; DANIAN ALLEN; BERNARD FLOOD; KEVIN GIBSON; IAN LILLIS; FR JOSHUA SHEEKY; FR JOSEPH HOPE; ...

Lord, hear us:                      That we may do Your will.  
We turn to Mary, Mother of the afflicted, and ask her to pray for us ... Hail, Mary... We pray in the silence of our hearts.

**PRIEST:** Almighty and eternal God,  
our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress,  
in faith we ask for an end of the pandemic afflicting the world:  
and we pray: look with compassion on the afflicted,  
grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners,  
healing to the sick, peace to the dying,  
strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders, and the courage  
to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your  
holy name. Through Christ Our Lord.