

ALL SAINTS NOTTING HILL AND
ST MICHAEL'S LADBROKE GROVE

PRAYING AT HOME

This small booklet has been designed so that you can join in prayer at home. Finding time each day and especially on Sunday is important. We encourage you to set some time aside for prayer and the reading of Holy Scripture.

Begin your time of prayer:

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Say the prayer Jesus taught us to pray – The Lord's Prayer.

Ask for the prayers of Mary – say a Hail Mary.

Entrust yourself to the Holy Trinity: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

As a parish dedicated to All Saints and St Michael we encourage all parishioners to join together at 7pm each day in saying the Prayer to St Michael and the Collect for All Saints Day:

Saint Michael, Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do thou O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of

**God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who
prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.**

**O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine
elect in one communion and fellowship, in the
mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us
grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous
and godly living, that we may come to those
unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for
them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Other prayers:

A prayer during the outbreak

**Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your
love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.**

For those who are ill

**Merciful God,
we entrust to your tender care
those who are ill or in pain,
knowing that whenever danger threatens
your everlasting arms are there to hold them safe.
Comfort and heal them,
and restore them to health and strength;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

For hospital staff and medical researchers

**Gracious God,
give skill, sympathy and resilience
to all who are caring for the sick,
and your wisdom to those searching for a cure.
Strengthen them with your Spirit,
that through their work many will be restored to
health;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

For the Christian community

**We are not people of fear:
we are people of courage.
We are not people who protect our own safety:
we are people who protect our neighbours' safety.
We are not people of greed:
we are people of generosity.**

**We are your people God,
giving and loving,
wherever we are,
whatever it costs
For as long as it takes
wherever you call us. Amen.**

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Let us pray to God,
who alone makes us dwell in safety:

For all who are affected by coronavirus,
through illness or isolation or anxiety,
that they may find relief and recovery:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who are guiding our nation at this time,
and shaping national policies,
that they may make wise decisions:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For doctors, nurses and medical researchers,
that through their skill and insights
many will be restored to health:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For the vulnerable and the fearful,
for the gravely ill and the dying,
that they may know your comfort and peace:
Lord, hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.
Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

*Prayers with Children
A prayer for the world*

**God of love and hope,
you made the world and care for all creation,
but the world feels strange right now.
The news is full of stories about Coronavirus.
Some people are worried that they might get ill.
Others are anxious for their family and friends.
Be with them and help them to find peace.
We pray for the doctors and nurses and scientists,
and all who are working to discover the right
medicines
to help those who are ill.
Thank you that even in these anxious times,
you are with us.
Help us to put our trust in you and keep us safe.
Amen.**

A prayer at bedtime

**Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That you, with steadfast love, would keep
Your watch around us while we sleep.**

Tonight we pray especially for (*names family or friends who are affected by Coronavirus*) and the people of (*country or place which is affected by Coronavirus*).

Please give skill and wisdom to all who are caring for them.

Amen.

Other Prayers

**Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples,
'I am with you always'.**

**Be with me today, as I offer myself to you.
Hear my prayers for others and for myself,
and keep me in your care.**

**Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.**

**I am giving you worship with all my life,
I am giving you obedience with all my power,
I am giving you praise with all my strength,
I am giving you honour with all my speech.
I am giving you love with all my heart,
I am giving you affection with all my sense,
I am giving you my being with all my mind,
I am giving you my soul, O most high and holy God.
Praise to the Father,
Praise to the Son,
Praise to the Spirit,
The Three in One.**

*adapted from Alexander Carmichael,
Carmina Gadelica (1900)*

**Lord Jesus Christ,
Son of the living God,
have mercy on me, a sinner.**

The Jesus Prayer

**O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide,
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**O gracious and holy Father,
give us wisdom to perceive you,
diligence to seek you,
patience to wait for you,
eyes to behold you,
a heart to meditate upon you,
and a life to proclaim you,
through the power of the spirit
of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

St Benedict

Before going to sleep

**God our Father, by whose mercy
the world turns safely into darkness and returns
again to light:
we place in your hands our unfinished tasks,
our unsolved problems, and our unfulfilled hopes,
knowing that only what you bless will prosper.
To your love and protection
we commit each other and all those we love,
knowing that you alone are our sure defender,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

End your prayers with these words:

**May the Lord bless and keep thus this day (night)
and always. Amen.**