

## A Prayer of Intercession

This prayer is intended to be a framework for you to add topical or contemporary issues of concern to the congregation saying this prayer. Also the order of the 'verses' can be changed to suit the situation. It is appropriate to name those who are sick etc at the suitable places by first name only.

*Alternative versicle/responses may be used:*

*Lord in your mercy/Hear our prayer;*

*The Lord hears our prayer/Thanks be to God; etc*

Leader: Let us Pray for:-

Leader: God's family throughout the world,  
All who bear responsibility among His people,  
For all who minister His Gospel, the Word, and Sacraments,  
And all who gather in His name here in *place (at place)*

Silence

Leader: Lord in your mercy,  
All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the peace of the world,  
For the increase of justice,  
The rulers of all the nations, *(for Name, our King/Queen/President)*  
For governments in accordance with God's Holy will,  
And for a just and proper use of the natural resources of the world.

Silence

Leader: Lord in your mercy,  
All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the concerns and activities of this congregation,  
*(for Name our priest/pastor/vicar, and for Name our bishop/moderator etc)*  
And for this neighbourhood  
And for ourselves, families, friends and neighbours.

Silence

Leader: Lord in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for all in sorrow, need, anxiety or sickness,  
For the neglected, the persecuted and the lonely,  
And for those facing adversity, or in any need or trouble.

Silence

Leader: Lord in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

O Lord, we want to praise you for those in every generation,  
And of every age who have honoured Christ,  
*(our patron saint Name)*  
And we pray that we may be inspired by their example,  
And in our lives glorify Christ.

So Father, You know our needs before we ask,  
Help us to ask only what accords with your will;  
And those good things which we dare not,  
Or in our blindness cannot ask,  
Grant us, for the sake of Your Son,  
Our Saviour, Jesus Christ

All: Amen.