Praying through this week 5th April 2021



Arise, make haste...and come. For the winter is past. The flowers have appeared in our land... (from Song of Songs 2:10-12)

In the freshness of Spring, let's pause and rejoice in the new life around us. Perhaps take a moment to wonder at the constant presence of God, of His new creating in our midst – not distant – right here amongst us.

Ask God to reveal a sign of renewal or new beginnings in you... Give thanks to God the Creator, the renewer, for all that He is revealing to you.

Our gardens are revealing their treasures again: under sturdy shrubs, shy flowers offer their delicate beauty, almost hidden; hidden from us, but never from God.

Bold blossoms, exuberant in the scented breeze;

Hope renewing, "blossoming" in the beauty and joy of Spring...

New seeds being sown...the future assured...

Perhaps give thanks for God's messages of hope, for His love of beauty so graciously shared with us; for these constant reminders of His faithful presence and generosity, here amongst us.

Is there something special, however tiny in your sight, knowing that it is treasured by God, for which you could give thanks?
What "seeds" for future growth is God sowing in you?

As we live amongst and rejoice in the new life of Spring, we remember the glorious resurrection of Jesus from the dark depths of the tomb: the greatest sign of new beginnings, new hope, new life for each of us.

Perhaps ask God for grace to live in the "new" way He is planning for us - a new way of fresh dreams, new visions, new hope, new ways of serving God and each other......Give thanks for each new opportunity to serve....

As we open our hearts to God, let's give thanks for His abiding, faithful, guiding presence amongst us.

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