Intercessions for Sunday 9th May 2021

Let us pray.....Let us lift up our eyes to the Lord, who made heaven and earth (rPs121).'**Restore us, Lord God Almighty, make your face shine upon us, that we may be saved'.** (Ps 80)

Faithful God, your Son Jesus Christ gave us a new commandment, of love for each other and so we ask you to teach us to love you in our neighbours that by serving them we might also serve you.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Almighty God, we pray for your church which day by day gathers to praise you and to hear your Holy word. We pray for our Christian sisters and brothers worshipping around the world in churches, cathedrals and on the internet. Give us a sense of expectation as we come and inspiration as we go. Loving Father we ask for The Holy Spirit to go before us and surround us with your guidance and protection. Empower us to share your love with those around us.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Healing Lord, we pray for the leaders of the nations and their governments; for areas most besieged by the pandemic; to share resources and care equally. May our world leaders be lead by your guidance and resist corruption and greed. We pray for India, where healthcare and resources are scarce, and for those to whom the pandemic brings further suffering;, for COVID vaccines, medical treatments, tests and PPE to be distributed to ALL people throughout your world safely, and for a hope of an end to this pandemic. In Jesus name.....

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Loving God, help us all to be a part of the healing ministry of your church. Encourage us to constantly pray for those we know who are suffering in body, mind or spirit. Deepen our love for our neighbours especially those who are weak, help us to console the sorrowful and give hope to the dying.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

Merciful God, your love reaches beyond the grave. At the end of our days on earth be with us and with those we love. Lord **Jesus you are the resurrection and the life**, we give you thanks for all who have lived and believe in you, holding faith in your promise that they will never die. We pray for all those who have died: give to the departed the perfect joy of your eternal love and to those bereaved by their passing, the consolation of Your perfect love.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your Mercy: Hear our Prayer

This week we remember Jesus Christ's Ascension day, and in these coming days may we also wait in expectation and anticipation of the promises you left with us; the gift of the Holy spirit to enable us to be witnesses. May we, as the disciples did, set these days apart to pray. (Acts 1:11)

Come Holy Spirit, send us out into the world mindful that as witnesses and servants, we should bear witness to the Gospel with acts of faith and hope and love.

Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your son our saviour Jesus Christ Amen