

Intercession for 15th Jan 2023

Heavenly Father, as we enter this new year, we are reminded to welcome you into each day as we move into 2023. We thank you for the joy of the Christmas season and for all the friends and family who came into our church to hear of the good news of the arrival and birth of your Son Jesus. And now as we look to the months ahead and move forward, we ask that you walk with us, guiding our every move. May we never forget to put you in the centre of all our decisions. Help us Lord to build your church, to see your kingdom come and grow at St Paul's.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus we thank you for your faithfulness, that you know each and everyone of us, that you know what is going on in our lives and meet us where we are. Lord we ask that you will make yourself known to those who are struggling with poor health, we pray that your healing power will surround those who are suffering, ease their pain both physically and emotionally, may they know your presence in such a real way which brings your overwhelming peace that surpasses all understanding. God we praise you, you reign on high and are Lord over everything. There is nothing you cannot do, help us and forgive us in our moments of doubt, strengthen our faith daily to completely trust in you.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Father God in the midst of the chaos of unrest in our country, of strikes, of worry about financial stability, of those without a roof over their head or food in the bodies, with a health service on the brink of breaking, God we cry out to you....heal out nation. Provide the wisdom for leaders to bring about positive change, bring an end to poverty, provide ways in which families are able to love and look after their families in a healthy and happy way. May we become prayer warriors this year where we join with the heavens angels in lifting the name of Jesus higher, showing His love to all those we meet.

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Lord God as we see the wars and turmoil throughout the many countries in your world, we long for your peace. We long for your spirit to sweep through nations, guiding leaders in bringing an end to atrocities that are affecting so many people and their families. You are a God of peace, may we never forget that or cease in our prayers to bring about this change that our world desperately need.

Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

And as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name

Your kingdom come, your will be done

In earth as in heaven, give us today our daily bread

Forgive our sins, As we forgive those who win against us

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

Now and forever.

Amen