## Prayers - 21.01.24

Drawn into God's love & constant faithfulness to us let us pray,

We pray for all those who would love to believe but cannot yet trust in our loving God. We pray for those who have rejected God because of unloving behaviour of others. We pray for our next Alpha course that this may melt those hearts and bring them to you.

Lord in your mercy,

We pray for all who have authority, give orders & have influence over others. Let us pray that all peoples may be led justly & with sensitivity. We hold silence for those parts of our world torn apart by war & confrontation.

Lord in your mercy,

We pray for relationships. Those which need your transforming love, those we irritate & upset & those who have hurt & upset us. Fill all of us to the brim with your love.

Lord in your mercy,

We pray for those whose lives feel empty & lack a sense of purpose. We pray for those whose frailty, pain or illness makes it difficult to pray. Let us now in our own hearts bring to mind those we love & care for that need that healing love.

Lord in your mercy,

We pray for those who are at their end of life or have recently died. We pray for our hospice and the end of life care they provide. Be with them all Lord.

Lord in your mercy,

We thank you for all the joys of loving relationships, all the friendships we share & the love we are enabled to give.

Merciful Father,