



## Mother's Union June Prayer Diary

Christmas was God with us, Easter was God for us, Pentecost was God in us through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we pray this month to our Living God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Use this week to keep in our prayers all who are still suffering with the long term corona virus, those fighting for their lives and dying, and all who care for them or watch from afar.

Give thanks for all working in the vaccine and track and trace centres, praying that all called to have the vaccine will accept it, for their own safety and that of others, and that vaccines will be available to every country, thinking especially of India and pray the Indian variant will be controlled.

Pray for all employed in the NHS, social workers and carers as they carry the heavy burden of sickness and pain with those they work with. For funeral directors and their staff daily encountering extreme grief. For families who are grieving the loss of loved ones and for all awaiting treatment for routine surgery or treatment.

6<sup>th</sup> This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

7<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> In this summer of hope give thanks for the 145 years of the Mothers' Union, praying for our branches, as hopefully we start to safely meet again. Give thanks for the dedicated work of Jane Hill and the Trustees coming to the end of their term of leadership.

11<sup>th</sup> Like the apostle Barnabas, may we spread the gospel news.

12/ 13<sup>th</sup> May the Kingdom of God grow in us, so your will be done on earth as in heaven.

14<sup>th</sup> Thank God for the beauty of creation, in the wonder of summer flowers and pray we do nothing to spoil our environment.

15<sup>th</sup> For Bishop Christopher taking a sabbatical leave and for Bishop John as he takes on extra duties, for all clergy and lay ministers.

16<sup>th</sup> For our churches, that we will soon be able to worship more freely and sing praises to our God.

17<sup>th</sup> Pray that we continue to care for those who need our help, the lonely and isolated the broken and mentally suffering.

18<sup>th</sup> For the hospital Chaplaincy teams in their ministry of care.

19<sup>th</sup> Give thanks for the technology that has enabled worship throughout lockdown and enabled us to keep in touch.

20<sup>th</sup> In the storms of life let us put our trust in Jesus.

21<sup>st</sup> For the outreach work of the Mothers' Union upholding family life, parenting groups, `away from it all holidays`, for those working for social justice the world over, with prisoners and their families.

22<sup>nd</sup> Pray for homes where there is tension, abuse and financial insecurity, give thanks for The Haven, women's refuge.

23<sup>rd</sup> Bless the care given at Coffee tots and at children's nurseries.

24<sup>th</sup> For all foster and adoptive parents, give thanks.

25<sup>th</sup> Asking God's blessing on all mothers and grandmothers the world over, may they love and care for their children, and pray for those who longed for children and those who grieve the loss of their mother.

26<sup>th</sup> For children at this difficult time, that help will be given to those whose education has been damaged by isolating from school.

27<sup>th</sup> May the healing hands of Jesus be with those we know who are mentally, physically or spiritually ill and for our own suffering.

28<sup>th</sup> Give us the grace to stand alongside any who are different to us and listen to the stories people need to share.

May your Holy Spirit fill us with Love for others.

29<sup>th</sup> As we remember St Peter and St Paul pray for all about to be ordained priest or deacon and bless their future ministry.

30<sup>th</sup> Pray for a reign of peace and love upon earth, a deepening fellowship between nations & peoples. For a time when no one will be exploited or neglected.

May your Kingdom come in us as it is in heaven. Amen