Prayers for peace

Dear Lord, Hear my voice, for it is the voice of the victims of all wars and violence among individuals and nations.

Hear my voice, for it is the voice of all children who suffer and will suffer when people put their faith in weapons and war.

Hear my voice when I beg You to install into the hearts of all human beings the wisdom of peace, the strength of justice, and the joy of fellowship.

Hear my voice, for I speak for the multitudes in every country and in every period of history who do not want war and are ready to walk the road of peace.

Hear my voice and grant insight and strength so that we may always respond to hatred with love, to injustice with total dedication to justice, to need with the sharing of self, to war with peace.

> O God, hear my voice and grant unto the world Your everlasting peace.

> > Amen.

Dear Lord, look with kindness on our broken world in which there is so much conflict. May God, our Merciful Father, give wisdom to those who are trying to sustain, protect and build peace through negotiation and diplomacy, *Amen*. Thought for the week 12th June 2022 Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

John 16: 12 -15

In what could be a major space breakthrough, a group of researchers from the U.S. and China have, for the very first time, found evidence for the existence of a potential planet outside the Milky Way Galaxy, in the region of 28 million light years away. It is hard to conceive or imagine such or imagine such distances or even think there are planets far beyond our solar system. The mystery of science is great but far greater is the mystery of God.

Today we are invited to contemplate the greatest mystery of all, the Blessed Trinity. Christianity departs radically from Islam and Judaism in its belief that in one is a communion of three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Furthermore, Christianity professes the belief that the Second Person of the Trinity, God the Son, entered time and space and took upon himself our human nature. Belief in the Trinity, then is a central mystery of Christian faith.

The word mystery in this context means a sacred truth which we will only be able to penetrate more deeply if we ask the Holy Spirit to shed his light and truth into our minds.

"O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me to forget myself entirely so to establish myself in you, unmoveable and peaceful as if my soul were already in eternity.

(Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity)

Stephen and Judy (with help from "Bible Alive")

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We ask you please, to pray for the following people who continue to ask for your prayers;

Please pray for Barbara Stitt (Krissie's Mum) who is recovering from Covid and an operation.

Please prayer for Delia Hoban who is in Abbeycrest.

Please pray for Barbara Van Bree who has cancer

Please prayer for Reuben Muston aged 17 (Theresa and Mike Muston's grandson) who has been diagnosed with Aplastic Anaemia and needs our prayers.

Maddy Sharman has asked for our prayers.

Please pray for victims of all wars remembering those in Ukraine

Please pray for Savanna Clark (age 2 with heart trouble)

Please pray for Shirley Trollop

Please pray for Isobel Messenger (Vera Bird's great granddaughter) that she may be able to have an operation to improve her hearing.

Please pray for Simon Keen who is very poorly

Please pray for Beth Selwood

Please pray for Mary Haggar

Please pray for Vivien Kear (Krissie's friend) who has cancer

Vera Bird has asked for our prayers for her Great, Great Grandson Harry

Prayers please for Antonita's nephew Peppin who has long covid.

Please pray for Peter Halter's sister Jean who has macular degeneration and for Jean's great grandson Rogan who is 9 and has leukemia. Rogan continues to need our prayers.

Please pray for the residents and staff at the two nursing homes in our parish, Abbeycrest and St Luke's.



Please also remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time including;

Elizabeth Allison, Janine Corie, Ron Theobald,

Brian Bird, Michael and Julia Keogh, Lily Weegan,

Bridie Burke, Mary Cunningham, Derek Graham,

Christine Coyle.