

Intercessions for 3 before Advent - Remembrance Sunday Year C—9th November 2025

Almighty Father, we thank you for bringing us together this Remembrance Sunday to recall with tenderness and respect those who lost their lives from this community and the many thousands further afield in the wars of this and the last century. We pray for all those still caught up in conflicts across the world and acknowledge what may be our own confusion about war and the use of weapons. Father, help us to meet with you in these moments of worship and make us ever mindful of your goodness towards us and strengthen us to be aware of the needs of others. As we pray for peace, give us peace in our hearts.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those men and women who have died in active service: in Iraq, in Afghanistan and elsewhere. As we honour their courage and cherish their memory, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

Mighty God, have mercy on those who mourn who feel numb and crushed and are filled with the pain of grief, whose strength has given up. You know all our sighing and longings: be near to us and teach us to fix our hope on you.

We pray too for those we know who are ill, in hospital or in care homes and we remember to give thanks for those who are on the road to recovery.

(add names of those requesting prayer)

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

Father God, you know our hearts and share our sorrows. We are hurt by our parting from those whom we loved: when we are angry at the loss we have sustained, when we long for words of comfort, yet find them hard to hear, turn our grief to truer living, our affliction to firmer hope in Jesus Christ our Lord.

(add names of the recently departed or on Anniversary list)

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

Lord God, do not abandon us in our desolation. Keep us safe in the midst of trouble, and complete your purpose for us through your steadfast love and faithfulness.

(Short Silence)

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer.

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy.

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

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