

*6th Sunday after Trinity:*

24th July 2022 (our next Prayer letter will be on Sunday 4th September)

**Prayer Letter**

***"The Lord bless you and keep you.***

***The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.***

***The Lord turn His face to you and give you His peace."***

 **Numbers 6: 24-26**

* ***Lord of comfort and peace, we ask that you be with all those who suffer pain and anguish in bereavement; and for all who are struggling with infirmity or pain in body, mind or spirit.***

For those in hospital and at home;
surround the frightened with Your tenderness;
give strength to those in pain;
hold the weak in Your arms of love, and give hope and patience
to those who are recovering.

***We bring before you now:***

Audrey, Sue, Sarah, Leah, Gordon, Louise, Debbie, Stephen, Norman and Jean, Anne and Ian.

Thank you, Jesus. **Amen**

***Lord, God hear me as we pray,***

For all Church leaders across our nation, and in our parish for our Vicar Dave and for the work of Alison through Ashar and those attending Starting Point.

For Steve and Lisa in their mission with the poor in India and in our Parish.

For Emma as she begins her new Ministry in the Parish of Lytham as Mission Enabler.

For Matt and everyone involved in the work with children and young people.

For Nicola and volunteers who will be with her in the forthcoming project to restore a neglected outdoor space to become a place of beauty, peace and enjoyment for nearby residents of our Parish.

For all who attend our Church, that they may know your loving presence and accept You into their lives, knowing your love and forgiveness for each them.

***Lord God hear me as we pray,***

**For peace in Ukraine** and an end to the senseless atrocities and deaths caused by the actions of Russian forces against innocent civilians, including the deaths of so many children. **We** **also pray that a regional ceasefire on land and at sea** will soon enable grain ships to leave the Port of Odessa and be safely transported to where their is the greatest need - Particularly areas of Africa where drought and famine is occurring.

**For the people of Sri Lanka** as the economic and political crisis in that nation continues.

**Refugees and asylum seekers,** we continue to pray that there are fair and just solutions to the current issues relating to the refugee and asylum seekers both in our nation and around our world.

**For the people of western Europe and the United Kingdom** as we bring before you all those made homeless and those injured, and especially the families of those who have lost their lives or are missing in the wild fires. **We also pray that every government of every nation** will now work tirelessly to invest to provide solutions and create employment opportunities in new technologies, to prevent the rapidly increasing damage to the world, caused by human induced climate change.

**In this Your beautiful but fragile world which You created for us to be stewards of,** bless all who dedicate their lives to its care, and to all who within their hearts and in their minds and bodies have the passion skills and energy to protect its climate, oceans, forests, plants and creatures for us and all future generations. ***Amen***

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***Lord God hear me as we pray,***

For the families and friends of those who have lost their lives in cold open water tragedies in our rivers, seas, canals and lakes and that all will heed the advice about the dangers involved to prevent further loss of life this Summer.

For all affected by disruptions to public transport on our railways, channel crossing services and air travel.

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***Lord God, here me as we pray,***

For Elizabeth, our Queen. We thank You Lord God for her long life of service and her faith in Jesus Christ which is an inspiration to us all.

For all those is positions of power and leadership in every political party in Parliament and in local or devolved Government across the nations of the United Kingdom.

For our Emergency Services, Armed Forces and Frontline NHS and Social Workers. Also for all who give their time as volunteers in service to help others in need or in distress.

For the people of our town and for all who visit for leisure and recreation and those who travel to and from Blackpool for their work.