

## **Intercessions 12/7/20**

God of all seeds and all stories, we pray for the wisdom to apply the truth of Jesus' parables to our own lives and to our life together and this community where we serve you.

**May we see you, may we hear you, may we know you care.**

**Lord in your mercy**

**Hear our prayer**

In the world, we pray especially for places where climate change has brought drought... for the places where it has brought floods ... for those whose crops have been scorched... for those whose livelihoods have been washed away. for those who do not have the infrastructure that we have to cope with covid 19.

For those who are making decisions about the future and when it is safe to begin new activities and what they should look like

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**Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer**

We pray for those whose life's seeds are being choked by anxiety, poverty and hardship... for those who have lost their jobs... for those unable to feed their families or to pay their mortgages and rent... for those living without basic facilities.

We pray for those given hope by the emergency budget and for those who feel hope-less

For those who are enjoying the freedom that coming out of lockdown is bringing and those who are feeling even more anxious

For those planning to go on holiday and for those whose holiday plans have been cancelled and for foodbanks and charities that try to help all who are struggling.

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**Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer**

We pray for your church throughout the world

For those who, like us, have begun to worship again in their buildings and for those for whom this is not an option at the present time

For Steven Cotterill as he has begun his ministry as the Archbishop of York this week and for all our bishops who are grappling with the fall out of this pandemic

For those in our diocese who should have been ordained or priested at Petertide but this year couldn't and for those in our diocese who have their on-line BAP this coming week to discern whether they are being called into ordained ministry

For Andrew, Katrina and Sharon as they continue to lead us here and for the help they are giving us to make sense of all that is going on around us and enabling us all to join together in worship in a way that feels comfortable to us as individuals.

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Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

We pray for those unable to thrive because of illness in particular Paula Conder, Jeanette Jackson, Sheila Boudreau, Olive Elves, Stephen Cooper, Peter Harris, baby Luca Mabert, Oliver Britton, Liz Smith, Anne England, Martin Reed, Bob Burt, Penny and Douglas Mitchell, Martyn Gray, Sally Port, Jean Smith, Ron Crumpholt, John Pearson, David Dodds, Rob Muir and Gina Churchyard.

and for those denied the opportunity to plant the seeds of their dreams in fertile soil...

for those hospitalised with Covid-19... for those whose journey to recovery is long , slow and painful... for those who nurse them... for those who love them... for those whose treatment has been put on hold...

We pray for those who have been unable to go to school and those who have missed their exams or transition activities.... for those who are anxious about what next year will bring...

for children in war zones, and those in refugee camps,

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And we pray for those whose seeds are watered by their tears...

those grieving the loss of someone close to them and those who remember loved ones whose anniversary of death occurs this week May North, Fred Hallums, Roy Bottle, Ron Wright, Elsie Wilkinson, Kate Jones, Mary Jones and Caroline Murphy

those who feel forgotten... those who are neglected... those who are victims of injustice, abuse, or cruelty...

**May they – and all in any kind of need today – see you, may they hear you, and may know you care.**

**Lord in your mercy**

**Hear our prayer**

And we pray for ourselves that this week you will help us to live by the aspirations of faith rather than the aspirations of the world and that through our lives we may sow seeds for your kingdom.

Merciful Father: Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

**Amen.**