

BIDDING PRAYERS

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"If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear"

- Let us pray for our leaders who are being sorely tested at this time: that they are filled with wisdom as they make critical decisions for our wellbeing and safety. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*
- Let us pray for all those around us who are worried by the spread of coronavirus, particularly the most vulnerable. May God give us the patience and fortitude to do the right thing and help to contain its spread. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*
- Let us pray for all the front line workers in the NHS and elsewhere, who are putting themselves in harm's way for our benefit. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*
- Let us pray for ourselves as we face the prospect of weeks, possibly months without being able to go to our Parish Mass. Remind us, Lord, to do the next best thing and be regular in our commitment to attend online Mass. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*
- Let us pray for all those who have died recently and particularly Sister Pamela whose funeral will take place next week. Let us remember her even if we cannot attend her funeral. May God grant her eternal rest. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Dear Lord, at this difficult time, reawaken in us those gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit which we particularly need: love, wisdom, understanding, patience... And let us join our prayers with those of Mary our Mother, as we say: Hail Mary...

Let us pray for a few moments for our own intentions.