

PRAYERS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Let us pray to the Lord revealed to us in word and sacrament.

Gracious Help your people to search the Scriptures to bring us nearer to our Lord, as we pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Philip, Archbishop of Melbourne, Geoffrey Driver, Abp of Adelaide and Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia; and for Genieve our Bishop. May the hearts of Christians burn with faith as they feel his presence. Help us to know and to make him known in the breaking of the bread.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, guide the feet that walk-in doubt and uncertainty and have lost their way on the long roads of the world, particularly in the face of pandemic. Dispel the anxieties and the false reports that keep people apart: set them free with the good news of salvation

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, bless our prayer and partner in mission the Anglican Board of Mission as it serves the Church in Australia and our partner churches overseas. Inspire its work and its vision that all may come to know your justice, your peace and your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, may Christ be the guest at every table. May we see him in the stranger as well as those close to us and make the weary and hungry welcome for his sake.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, we pray for the homeless and for those who wander without a destination. Grant shelter to the unprotected, bread to the hungry and rest to the weary. Bless those who do the work of relief at home and abroad.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Gracious God, bless those who bring aid to the infirm in our community. May they be an example for others to follow in the paths of mercy, as we seek your healing presence for;

Alan Tracey, Mary Jones and Merv Pizzey.

Heal each according to their need.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, be with those whose day is far spent and who are near to death, as we remember those who have died in recent days; particularly those who have died as a consequence of the pandemic, and those who have died alone and afraid.

We pray for those who are with Christ in the eternal feast of his love and see him with the eyes of perfect sight, as we remember with love and affection those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

We pray in the name of Christ, our companion through every day.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.
Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.