

Thy Kingdom Come

30th May – 9th June

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will

- Deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Pray for God's spirit to work in the lives of those they know
- Come to realise that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total - on our own we can do nothing.

So through the centuries Christians have gathered at this time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. *Thy Kingdom Come* continues this tradition. We are praying that the Spirit would inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks.

It is our prayer that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and his love for the world will hear it for themselves, and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the country to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

Whether you have joined in *Thy Kingdom Come* before or not, we invite you to take part this year - along with people from over 65 different denominations in 114 countries around the world.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES AT ALL SAINTS

Our church will be open from 9:00am to 6:00pm every day from 30th May (Ascension Day, which commemorates

Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven) to 9th June (Pentecost, also known as Whit Sunday, the festival when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit).

There will be prayer stations for guided prayer, some interactive and creative activities for all ages, as well as spaces for quiet reflection.

These will include:

Meeting Room - Guided hour of prayer

The Lord's Prayer
Praying for our nation

Coffee area

Novena reflections - images, text and inspiration for the nine days 'in-between'.
Soft chants

Memorial Cafe

Pray for 5
Quiet contemplative prayer
Candles

Pew table

Flag of Prayer
Requests to God for your family, the Church, your town and the nation. Praying your own requests and those of others.

West End

Activities for all the family
Everyone is welcome to join us during the eleven days of Thy Kingdom Come.

You can see a video about this at <https://www.allsaintshertford.org/tkc.php>

MATERIALS FOR USE AT HOME

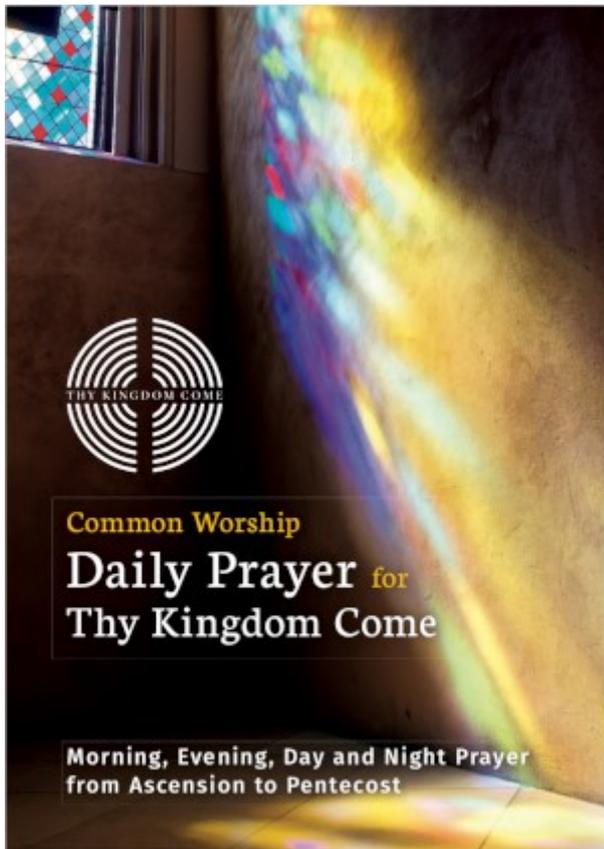
The following are some simple possibilities.

Follow a prayer journal available at <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/sites/default/files/2019-03/Prayer%20Journal%202019.pdf> .

Use the Novena guide available at <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/novena-2019>

Use the Family Home Pack:

https://www.thykingdomcome.global/sites/default/files/2019-03/TKC_Home_Pack_V4.pdf



This is available as a book from Church House Press or as a download following the link in this webpage:

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/common-worship-daily-prayer-thy-kingdom-come>

There are many more suggestions on-line at

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources> - select 'individual' or 'family' as appropriate and scroll through.

Many items are downloadable at no charge all are available in print for a nominal sum.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

Be Still

St Martin's Church, St. Martin's Road, Knebworth, SG3 6ER

Tuesday 4th June, 7:30pm – 9pm

'Be Still' is a relaxed evening with a focus on being still and hearing from God, so that we are energised to go out and fulfil the mission of God. The evening is for anyone in the Diocese who would like to come together with others to hear from God, spend time in stillness, interact with a variety of prayer stations, connect with community and worship together.

Register (free) at

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/be-still-rnp-prayer-evening-rnp-tickets-58781663538>

