



## Intercessions for Seventh Sunday after Trinity 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Knowing God's love and concern for us all, let us settle ourselves in his presence and pray to him now.

Recognising our brokenness and disunity as your Church, we pray for your leading to draw us closer to one another as we draw closer to you; we pray for all our Christian brothers and sisters in this neighbourhood, and for all who are searching for meaning in their lives.

With the noise of global conflicts and human deprivation thundering in our ears, with the questions and doubts clamouring, we pray for your shepherding of our humanness and your leading in the secret places of the heart.

With the statistics of family life challenging our values, and with the pressures to conform to norms in conflict with God's will, we pray for your sound and centred wisdom in all our daily living and life choices.

With the stressed and overburdened, the overworked and the unemployed, we pray for balanced lives; for physical, mental and spiritual health; for patience in times of trouble, and direction in times of confusion.

Among our congregation and friends, we pray for ....

As we remember with love and gratitude the lives of those who have died in faith, we commend them to your eternal rest and unchanging affection.

We remember those who have died, and those who mourn them, especially .....

With the crowds of Galilee our hearts are lifted with joy at your presence among us, for we know that you have the words of eternal life.

Lord of the Church, **hear our prayer and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy forever. Amen.**