

Loving Father, once again we pray for the Ukraine. The war is over 100 days old and it's very hard to hear the relentless stories of broken lives and devastation. Let us not go blind to it. President Zelensky has talked this week about losing up to 100 troops a day. And so, we pray once again for everyone impacted by this war, remembering too the foot soldiers expected to lose their lives not aware of the truth of it. We hear with grief of the soldiers from the UK and elsewhere tried in a puppet court and sentenced to death by Putin. Holy Spirit breathe into the hearts and minds of those responsible for this unfolding horror, let them understand the insanity of it all and bring it to an end.

For those who have lost loved ones, for those who have lost their homes and for those who have been displaced. Please bring comfort, hope and peace.

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit,
be with all of us today.

Loving Father, we pray that we would be people who welcome others.

We are all welcome in your kingdom. Thank you that you see us and know us and that your welcome is deep and personal. We pray particularly for all of the Ukrainian people who are being welcomed by families in the UK. May the people arriving find places of safety where they can rebuild their lives. Help these new households to grow together and learn from one another.

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Loving Father, we pray for our nation.

It's been a turbulent week in Westminster. The political situation in our land is often divisive and can seem filled with strife and difficulties. We are aware that the impact of this week's vote will play out over the next few months and so we pray for those who are in public service. As parliamentarians of all colours reflect on the past week may they have a reconsidered sense of purpose, duty and see once again the ways they can impact their communities for the good. As a church, help us to model a community where different people, with very different backgrounds and politics can come together and show love and appreciation for each other.

As bills continue to spiral we pray for everyone affected. We pray for hope to not be diminished. We pray for the local organisations like REACH, Next Door, Little Hub of Hope and Open Mind who pick up the pieces.

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Lord we heard with shock of the tragic death of a young man who took his life at Sturmer Arches a few days ago and we pray for him, his family and friends, the emergency services and passing bystanders. What a tragedy. Pour out your peace upon everyone affected we pray.

Loving Father, we pray for our young people.

GCSE, A-level and university finals are in full swing at the moment and many young people will be feeling anxious as they approach long-awaited exams. We pray for their mental health, help them as they revise and prepare. Bring a sense of calm and perspective to all of our young people. We also pray for all of those supporting exam takers in this season. Help parents, carers and teachers as they look after the students who are finding it particularly hard. Please bring peace to troubled minds. We remember and hold close Sarah as she sees increasingly troubled young people in her schools ministry and ask for your protection over her.

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Loving Father, thank you for the mystery of the Trinity. On this Trinity Sunday we are reminded once again of the deep mystery of our faith. But we are also reminded of the simplicity of the invitation to join in the expression of love and unity represented by the Holy Trinity. As we reflect on today's message renew all of us with your love, bind all of us together with your peace and help us to express to the world the joy and hope we find in your story.

You hear our every unspoken word Lord but there is great power in the spoken word. I will now open this space for anyone who wishes to say the first name of anyone who is on their hearts, in need of prayer

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