

Prayer Matters - Sunday 13 September 2020

Please keep in your prayers

All Saints - Give thanks that we are increasingly able to worship in church, and that our choir can sing again. Pray that we continue to care for those who still feel unable to attend.

Covid-19 - That the spikes can be kept under control; as efforts are made to get back to normal that everyone acts responsibly to protect vulnerable people. That protest rallies are peaceful, allow others to go about their business and socially distance.

Our Government as it deals with the numerous problems arising from the pandemic, getting our economy back on track, and agreeing on a final deal with the EU as Brexit comes into force.

The World - that we are good stewards of our world, caring for nature, reducing pollution and working towards slowing climate change.

Charity of the week - Robes Project - Since 2007 Robes has operated across Southwark and Lambeth to provide shelter for people who find themselves homeless in London. Robes also supports people with vital welfare advice, enabling them to access services and accommodation. With the support of over 30 Church venues and over 1000 volunteers, Robes continues to go from strength to strength, but relies on donations and grants to continue - contact robes.org.uk/donate.

Commemorated on 16 September - Ninian, Bishop of Galloway was born in about the year 360 and was the son of a Cumbrian chieftain who had himself converted to Christianity. It seems he visited Rome in his youth, where he received training in the faith. He was consecrated bishop in the year 394 and returned to Britain, where he set up a community of monks at Candida Casa from where they went out on missionary journeys as far as Perth and Sterling. Ninian died in about the year 432.

Those who are sick or in need: Chris Glasson, Lorraine Falzon Gaughan, Rosemary Cave (having an operation on 14th September) and any others known to us; for those who support and care for them.

Those with longer term needs: Jonny Davies (give thanks for his continuing recovery), Hyacinth Brown, Wisdom Kari, Anthony Backs, Isabelle Backs, Do Jones, Chris Worden, Ben, Gina Vaughan, and Russell Jenkins

Those who have died recently: Trevor Beamond (Eleanor Beamond-Pepler's uncle), for his family and friends as they mourn. For those who have died through acts of violence recently, and any others known to us. May those who mourn be comforted.

Those whose Year's Mind falls at this time: Doreen Wright (L'Arche)(2002), Margaret Rosalind Eves (1994), and Ken Vernon (2000).

Thought for the week: - Holy Cross Day - 14th September - *Christ did not come to get himself killed; he was not a suicide. He came to associate his people with divine life, and they killed him for doing this. By so dying he reconciled sinful wills to God, and made their incorporation in his mystical body a real possibility.* From *Saving Belief* by Austin Farrar.

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