



**THE THREE BENEFICES
CHURCH FAMILIES
PRAYER LINK**

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How gracious he will be when you cry for help. As soon as he hears, he will answer you.

Isaiah Ch.30 v.19

I love those who love me and those who seek me find me.

Proverbs Ch.8 v.17

Loving Father we come to you in this time of prayer into the stillness of your presence, may your Holiness surround us and dwell in us so we may know the contentment of your peace throughout our whole being.

In your loving name we ask.

Amen

The Lord is near to all who call on him.

Psalm 145 v.18

Knowing that you are near and care for us, open our eyes to the beauty of creation that surrounds us, guide us to reach out to those in need, lead us to grow in knowledge of you that our faith will be increased and our daily lives may reflect your love.

Amen

I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will be always on my lips.

Psalm 34 v.1

Loving Father thank you for all the many daily blessings that you provide for us. Help us to live each day according to your will, to face each decision to be made with your guidance. Be our strength in our weakness, forgive us when we doubt, may we stand firm in the knowledge of your love.

In your name we ask.

Amen

The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

Psalm 145 v. 14

Heavenly Father we pray for peace among all nations and we bring before you the leaders of each country, asking in your name that they will find 'common ground' to work together to find peaceful solutions to all situations. With you Lord all things are possible, we pray in faith. Lord hear our prayer

The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still.

Exodus Ch.14 v.14

Father we seek your guidance in all that we do, in our thoughts, actions and words. Lead us to reflect your love to the people we meet, encourage us when we feel inadequate, build up our self esteem knowing we are precious in your sight. Fill us with Christian love to serve others in your name. Amen

An anxious heart weighs a man down but a kind word cheers him up.

Proverbs Ch.12 v.25

Father we bring before you all church leaders whatever their denomination that they will be guided by you in their ministry in all that they do in surrounding communities. We pray for Peter, Stephen and Jeremy in the Elstow Team Benefice and the areas that they serve. We ask for guidance when making plans for the future growth of our worship. Lord we are your disciples help us in our daily lives to live according to your will. In your name we ask Amen

I have called you by name you are mine.

Isaiah Ch.43 v.1

As we pray dear Lord we remember each other as we use this prayer link, those in nursing homes or residential homes, members of our prayer link family who are ill, live alone, the housebound, each of us with different responsibilities and at different stages of our lives. As we pray may we feel the bond of unity in your love.

In your mercy hear our prayer

You found renewal of your strength so you did not faint.

Isaiah Ch.57 v.10c

God our dear Father you give us gifts of love, compassion, faith and joy may our hearts and minds be lifted and share happiness and laughter being sensitive and caring to the needs of all those we come into contact with.

In your name we ask

You shall go out with joy and be led forth in peace the mountains and the hills will burst in song before you and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

Isaiah Ch.55 v.12

Thank you for this time of prayer, may we be strengthened by your Holy Presence and be guided and enlightened by your Holy Spirit in our thoughts, feeling and actions.

Amen

May your unfailing love rest upon us O Lord as we put our hope in you.

Psalm 33 v.22