

THURSDAY 20th

God of all newness, as we face a world of suffering and injustice, despair and cynicism, awaken us to the hope found in Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Energise us by the power of Your Holy Spirit for the renewal of the world.

FRIDAY 21st

Merciful God, we pray for church communities around the world. Please provide for all of their needs. Manifest Your glory through their work and deeds. Let them be Your eyes so they can see beauty and kindness in others, let them be Your ears so they can hear the cry of the least of these, let them be Your hands to work for and to provide for the needy.

CHILDREN/STUDENTS

SATURDAY 22nd

Dear God, we thank You for Your protection and care over our families. We pray for wisdom for parents to lead and teach their children so that they may grow to know and to love You and follow Your ways.

SUNDAY 23rd

Loving Father, parenting can be hard and, during this difficult time, parents may feel anxious or overwhelmed with the task of bringing up their children and protecting them from world news. We pray for Your constant presence in their lives and for the comfort that comes from knowing You.

MONDAY 24th

Dearest Lord, we pray for Your blessings on all nurseries, schools, colleges and universities. We pray they will be places of safety at all times for the students who attend. We pray for all teachers and staff who are having to cope with new practices to keep the children safe.

TUESDAY 25th

Lord, we pray that children with loving families will learn to show compassion for those in need and for those who have less than they do. Give them a sense of justice to stand up for what is right and defend the weak.

WEDNESDAY 26th

Father God, we lift up to You children who are sick, children with disabilities and those in hospital. Draw close to each little life and give them courage, loving care and peace in their hearts.

THURSDAY 27th

Almighty Father, we pray for children and young people who are suffering in areas of conflict around the world. Be close to those who are frightened or disorientated and may Your peace and hope fill their hearts.

FRIDAY 28th

Loving Father, we pray for children and young people in all countries of the world. May they have teachers so that they can learn, doctors and medicine when they are ill, food when they are hungry and comfort when they feel sad.

THANKS

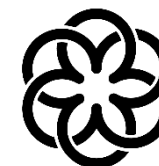
"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love endures forever." Psalm 118:1

SATURDAY 29th

Father God, give us all a heart of gratitude which is capable of love, hope, and peace despite the tensions and hurts of this world. Give us a heart of gratitude which is so filled with thanksgiving that worry and concern have no room.

SUNDAY 30th

Lord of us all, thank You for Your amazing power and work in our lives, thank You for Your goodness and for Your blessings over us. Thank You that You are able to bring hope through even the toughest of times, strengthening us for Your purposes.



The Parish of Ewhurst
with Okewood & Forest Green

JUNE Prayer Diary



"The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." Deuteronomy 33:27

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

EMERGENCY SERVICES

SATURDAY 1st

Loving Father, we pray for all members of the emergency services who work so hard to keep us safe. We thank You for their bravery and their dedication to duty. Watch over them and keep them safe from harm.

SUNDAY 2nd

Father God, bless the men and women who have chosen careers in such difficult and dangerous jobs. Thank You for their sacrifices and service, for their hard work in training and preparing. Help them to feel the respect and gratitude of their communities.

MONDAY 3rd

Father, we pray for discernment for all who work in the emergency services. They frequently face complex and life-threatening situations and must make snap decisions. Give them wisdom from You Lord, helping them in their moment of need.

TUESDAY 4th

Heavenly Father, as You commanded Joshua, so grant that emergency workers everywhere may “Be strong and courageous...not be afraid...not be discouraged.” Help them to know that You will be with them wherever they go and in whatever they have to do.

WEDNESDAY 5th

Dear Lord, You know the emotional toll that the job of the emergency workers takes and even when their efforts are successful, the things they see and do may be difficult to bear. Please guard their hearts and minds. Restore their mental and emotional resources when they have been depleted. And let them not become weary in their good work.

THURSDAY 6th

Almighty God, have mercy on the families of emergency workers. They are all too aware of the dangers their loved one’s face. Please, as Your word promises, keep them in perfect peace; steady their minds and help them to trust in You.

FRIDAY 7th

Father God, we pray for protection over those who are in emergency services. May they be provided with the right equipment to keep them safe. We ask this for all who work in these services throughout the world.

FOOD AND WATER

‘Give us today our daily bread.’ Matthew 6:11

SATURDAY 8th

Precious Father, as we cope with these difficult times, we pray that we will not lose sight of You. Give us hearts of gratitude which are always thankful for You, the giver of life. We thank you for food in our shops and clean water flowing from our taps.

SUNDAY 9th

Dear Lord, as we enjoy healthy food and clean water, we pray for those who struggle to feed their families every day. Pour out Your grace on hungry families, especially parents straining to feed their children despite dwindling resources.

MONDAY 10th

Lord Jesus Christ, You fed the hungry. Inspire in us the commitment to follow Your example showing compassion in action and sharing what we have with those who have less. May Your love guide us as we pray for ways to eradicate hunger.

TUESDAY 11th

Almighty God, it is difficult to see children suffer, especially from hunger. We ask You to give them daily bread today and end their persistent hunger. Provide the food they need to grow and thrive.

WEDNESDAY 12th

Good Shepherd, we pray for life-saving assistance to people struggling from food and water shortages around the world. Send life-giving rains at just the right time, create good conditions for families to grow food for their survival so children will no longer go to bed hungry and afraid each night.

THURSDAY 13th

Lord, our strength and Healer, we pray for children endangered by poor water, sanitation, and hygiene. Give them Your strength to fight off the illnesses that wrack their bodies. Lead their communities to discover clean water sources close by so they can enjoy better health.

FRIDAY 14th

Almighty God, we pray over the dry places in the world; for lands where people walk long distances for water, where weather patterns have changed, and people wait for rain. Bring an end around the world of selfish practices that adversely affect our world climate.

OUR WORLD

SATURDAY 15th

Dear Lord, enlighten those who possess power and money in our world that they may not be indifferent to those who have little influence. In their hearts, may they love the common good, advance the weak and care for this world in which we live.

SUNDAY 16th

Heavenly Father, as many nations in our world are going through a lot of challenges, economically, socially and financially, we pray Lord that You help Your people put their trust in You and You alone. May the leadership of all nations be godly and caring and let them give hope and encouragement to their people the way our Lord Jesus did to the disciples in times of despair.

MONDAY 17th

Father God, we pray for the nations of the world affected by war. The future becomes more and more uncertain. Those who trusted in their secure jobs live now in despair. Lord, remind us in such situations that You are the solution for all our problems and we need to believe and trust in You.

TUESDAY 18th

Father, we pray for the countries of the world where economic development has been impaired by weak governance and corruption. We pray that You illuminate the mind of those in power to seek the welfare of all citizens. Corruption is a gangrene that kills the economy, so we pray that You appoint leaders of integrity.

WEDNESDAY 19th

Healing and gentle Lord, we lift the nations of the world to You where there is increasing unemployment due to the effect of lockdown caused by the pandemic. Lord, you are the provider for the needy, we pray that you provide daily bread for families who cannot afford it.