



Prayer for those affected by coronavirus

God our Father, we pray for those who are suffering, for those who are grieving, for those who are anxious, and for those who are working tirelessly to care for the sick. God our Father, your Son Jesus Christ came into our world to heal us of all division and bring us life in abundance. By the power of your Spirit help us strive together as one family of many nations to help those in greatest need during this crisis. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Risen Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers with children



A prayer for when a friend is ill

Dear God, *(name of friend)* is ill. They are not allowed to go to school or come over to play. I'm sad because I miss them. They must be feeling miserable and lonely as well. Please be close to them. Please be with the people who are looking after them. Please help them to get better and to know that you love them. **Amen.**

A prayer for the world

God of love and hope, you made the world and care for all creation, but the world feels strange right now. The news is full of stories about Coronavirus. Some people are worried that they might get ill. Others are anxious for their family and friends. Be with them and help them to find peace. We pray for the doctors and nurses and scientists, and all who are working to discover the right medicines to help those who are ill. Thank you that even in these anxious times, you are with us. Help us to put our trust in you and keep us safe. **Amen.**



A prayer at bedtime

Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world, we pray That you, with steadfast love, would keep Your watch around us while we sleep. Tonight we pray especially for *(names family or friends who are affected by Coronavirus)* and the people of *(country or place which is affected by Coronavirus)*. Please give skill and wisdom to all who are caring for them. **Amen.**



A prayer remembering God is with us

Lord God, you are always with me. You are with me in the day and in the night. You are with me when I'm happy and when I'm sad. You are with me when I'm healthy and when I am ill. You are with me when I am peaceful and when I am worried. Today I am feeling *(name how you are feeling)* because *(reasons you are feeling this way)*. Help me to remember that you love me and are with me in everything today. **Amen.**

Prayer to St. Roch – Patron of the Sick and Pandemics

O most merciful God Who through an angel promised St. Roch That whoever should invoke his name Would be preserved from pestilence And contagious diseases.

Grant that through his intercession we May be preserved from all dangers, Both of soul and body Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



'Let us try, if we can, to make the best use of this time: let us be generous; help those in need, look out for the loneliest people, let us pray to the Lord for those who are in difficulty... In the risen Jesus, life conquered death. This Paschal faith nourishes our hope. It is the hope of a better time, in which we can be better, finally freed from evil and from this pandemic. It is a hope: hope does not disappoint; it is not an illusion, it is a hope.' Pope Francis Easter 2020

Prayers for Strength and Healing.



*Everyone Counts, Everyone makes a difference
Everyone Contributes, Everyone Succeeds*

Getting yourself ready to pray. Focus on your breathing, on a flickering candle. Taking time to speak with God about your day. God hears your prayer from your heart. "Heart speaks onto heart."

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen





School Prayer:

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to you. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life, and grant that through it I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer:



Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. **Amen**

Our Lady's Prayer:

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord be with thee, blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. **Amen**



The Trinity Prayer:



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. **Amen**

Prayers about the outbreak

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress.

Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**



Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us to love our neighbour, and to care for those in need as if we were caring for you. In this time of anxiety, give us strength to comfort the fearful, tend the sick, and assure the isolated of our love, and your love, for your name's sake. **Amen.**

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation. In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For those who are ill

Merciful God, we entrust to your tender care those who are ill or in pain, knowing that whenever danger threatens your everlasting arms are there to hold them safe. Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



For hospital staff and medical researchers

Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the sick, and your wisdom to those searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work many will be restored to health; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

From one who is ill or isolated

O God, help me to trust you, help me to know that you are with me, help me to believe that nothing can separate me from your love revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



For the Christian community

We are not people of fear: we are people of courage. We are not people who protect our own safety: we are people who protect our neighbours' safety. We are not people of greed: we are people of generosity. We are your people God, giving and loving, wherever we are, whatever it costs For as long as it takes wherever you call us.

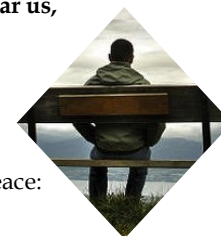
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1. Let us pray to God, who alone makes us dwell in safety: For all who are affected by coronavirus, through illness or isolation or anxiety, that they may find relief and recovery: **Lord, hear us,** Lord, graciously hear us.

2. For those who are guiding our nation at this time, and shaping national policies, that they may make wise decisions: **Lord, hear us,** Lord, graciously hear us.

3. For doctors, nurses and medical researchers, that through their skill and insights many will be restored to health: **Lord, hear us,** Lord, graciously hear us.

4. For the vulnerable and the fearful, for the gravely ill and the dying, that they may know your comfort and peace: **Lord, hear us,** Lord, graciously hear us.



We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God. Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Prayer to Mary for protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of all, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this mo-



ment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. **Amen.** We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. **Amen.**