

Prayers for October 2020

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the ongoing global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

1. *At the start of a new month, we pray for your love and compassion, dear Lord, to abound as we continue to walk through this challenging season. We pray for all who live in Conghurst Lane, Ridsen, Foxhole Lane. In our Deanery, we pray for the parish of Headcorn and The Suttons, and the Vicar, Revd Fiona Haskett.*
2. *We ask for wisdom for all those who bear the load of making decisions with widespread consequences. We remember in prayer today those who live in Cowden Lane and Horns Road.*
3. We pray for the people living in Delmondon Lane, and North Hill Road, and remember the parishes of Etchingham and Hurst Green.
4. ***St Francis of Assisi and Harvest Festival.*** *God, we thank you for the abundant resources that the world provides. We give thanks for the care, compassion and generosity of all sharing food and resources during this pandemic. We pray for the ministry in and from the St Laurence Parish office. We pray for all living in Red Oak and Hensil Lane.*
5. Bless all the doctors, nurses and staff who work at Benenden Hospital and Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital. We pray for families who live on The Moor and in The Chestnuts.
6. *‘Seasons of mists and mellow fruitfulness...’ Lord, may we have wisdom to discern the seasons and purposes of our lives, and the grace to live them well in the time that is given to us. Amen.* We pray for all living on Horns Corner and Horns Hill.
7. We pray for all living on Moor Hill, Talbot Road and The Hawthorns; Stream Lane and Hastings Road. Bless and guide the Queen and all members of the Royal family.
8. *In a world of change and uncertainty, thank You Lord, that You are unchanging.* We remember all living in All Saints Road, Smugglers, Smugglers Mews and Dickens Way.
9. We pray for the parishioners of Trinity Church, Sissinghurst and with St Mary’s Frittenden and the Vicar, Revd. Pete Deaves.
10. *Almighty God, teach us to love the life You have created, our own and that of all others. Amen.* We pray for the families living in Barretts Road and Heartenoak Road.
11. We pray for all who live in Tongswood Drive and Whites Lane and for the parish of Goudhurst and Kilndown, for the Churchwardens and members of the PCC, during the Interregnum.
12. *Lord, by the work of our hands, the gentleness of our thoughts and the power of our prayers, may seeds of hope grow to peace in hearts and lives. Amen.* We pray for all who live in Cranbrook Road and Sandrock Cottages. We pray for the parish of Cranbrook and the Vicar Revd Ann Pollington.

13. *Lord, strengthen us with the promises we trust You have made to us and give us the courage to do Your will. Amen.* We pray for all who worship in the Parish of Marden and the new Vicar, Revd. Nicola Harvey. Bless and guide those living in Fairview and Northgrove Road.
14. We pray for all members of the Methodist Fellowship in Hawkhurst. We pray for those living in Gills Green and Wellington Cottages, Tubs Lake and those living in Bedgebury.
15. *Lord, help us to see where we have built walls in our hearts that divide us. Show us how to build trust and wholeness. Amen.* We pray for all who worship and serve in the Roman Catholic Church of St Barnabas and for Father Vic McClean. Bless those living in Gingerbread Lane and The High Street.
16. We pray for those living in Gunther Court, Hartnokes and Basden Cottages, and also for the parishes of Ticehurst and Flimwell and the Vicar Rev Ashley Evans.
17. We pray for all who worship in the Baptist Church in our village, and for the Minister Revd. Ben Gotts and his family. We pray for those who live in Copthall Avenue, Fieldways and Church Walk.
18. ***St Luke, the Evangelist.*** *Faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ.* We pray for all who live in Mercers, Lorenden Park and Highgate Hill, and Herschel Place
19. *Blessed are you, our Lord and God, open our hearts to your word, pierce them with its truth, that we may know you, the only God, the Lord of glory.* We pray for all those living in Murton-Neale Close and Camerons. We also pray for all living in Oakfield and Theobalds.
20. We pray for all living on Slip-mill Lane, Slipmill Road and Sobers Lane. Pray for the parishes of Ewhurst and Bodiam and the Rector Canon Christopher Irvine.
21. *Father God, as we exercise the good sense that you in your mercy provide, may we also approach each day in faith and peace, trusting in the truth of your goodness towards us.* We pray for all living in the area of Queens Road, Park Cottages and Dunlop Court.
22. We pray for those who live in Copt-hall Avenue, Fieldways and Church Walk.
23. *Loving God, Help us to focus on what we have, not on what is removed or changed.* We pray for all living in Queens Close and Hammonds.
24. We pray for the parish of Staplehurst, and the Vicar Revd Silka Tezlaff. We bring to you in our prayers today, all living in Western Road and School Terrace, Rye Road and Highfield Close.
25. *Strengthen us, Blessed Lord, when we feel discouraged or overwhelmed.* We pray also for all living in Oaklands Road and Tates, Winchester Road, Woodbury Road and Vale Road.
26. We keep in prayer those living in, Ockley Road, Barretts Green and Norris Close.
27. *Loving Lord, Embrace us so that us we know your loving presence within us and among us.* We pray for the Revd. David Commander, Rector of the Benefice of Benenden and Sandhurst, Ylva Blid-Mackenzie, the Licensed Lay Worker and all the parishioners. We pray for all living in Attwater Lane and Potters Lane.

28. We pray today for all living in Herschel Place, Woodham Close, Birchfield Grove and all new homes in our village.
29. *Loving God, Walk with us as we bring your love, and carry your light, into our world.* We keep in prayer the residents of Water Lane and Gun Green.
30. We pray for our Vicar and Area Dean, Fr Rodney and his family. We also pray for our churchwardens, and all the members of our PCC. We remember all the members of our fellowship who live outside the parish.
31. ***HALLOW is an ancient word for 'holy'. Let us have a holy evening that celebrates Jesus, the Light – Light that darkness can never overcome. Light that brings life not fear.*** We pray for Justin Welby, our Archbishop, Right Reverend Rose Hudson-Wilkin, the Bishop of Dover and Stephen Archdeacon and Chaplain to Bishop Rose, and Andrew Sewell Archdeacon of Maidstone. We pray for the work and ministry of the Anglican Consultative Council.

***Let us continue to prayer "Thy Kingdom Come" until it does.
Come Holy Spirit: gift us with yourself.***