

## Intercessions Pentecost 2

6<sup>th</sup> June

We pray that we may lift our eyes to you, eternal God, whose steadfast love endures forever, as we bring to you our prayers for your brothers and sisters, your family everywhere

On the day we call, you answer us

**Increase our strength and love**

Lord Jesus, we thank you that you were lifted up to draw all people to you.

We pray for those suffering throughout the world

for those afflicted by the exercise of ruthless power, taking away their means of living, their hope, their lives

We pray for all those with responsibility for leadership as they struggle to allocate resources.

Make them, we pray, the servants of your will.

Bless all those who defend the weak, the needy, and those damaged by violence and disaster.

Help us to be part of your loving concern for your creation, and enable us to do all we can to work for your reign of peace and justice.

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Lord Jesus, crowds flocked to see you. We thank you that you have brought us together as your body here on earth. Grant us, we pray, a vision of your glory and your triumph over evil, that your Church may proclaim the Gospel in the power of the Spirit.

We pray that all those who have responsibility for leadership may keep their hearts and minds fixed on you, whose steadfast love endures forever.

We pray that your blessing may rest upon the people and work of The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) The Diocese of Brisbane; Tintern Grammar St Stephen's Congregation Werribee - Karen Community; Pastoral Service with Bp Paul Barker at St James' & St Peter's Kilysth; Confirmation Service at St James Pakenham with Bp Paul Barker; and the Pastoral Service St Mary's Melbourne North with Bp Genieve Blackwell). so that all may truly serve you

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Lord Jesus, we thank you that during your life on earth you healed and forgave with compassion. We bring to you those in sickness, despair and anguish of body and mind. Lay your healing touch on both those who suffer and those who tend them. Help all those with responsibility for health care to act with truth and love in challenging situations.

Bring your comfort, we pray, to all those in special need at this time, including these your brothers and sisters Lewis, Carol and family, Bishop George, Jenny, Val, Joan, Miriam, Nola, Lorraine, Gayle, Nigel, Nancy, Kate, Betty Bell, Jessie, Eileen, Nola W, John W, Colin, Wendy, Judy, Annette, Marion and Doug, Muriel, Gwen, Rohan, Phil, Eric and Bev, Emma, Margaret and Norm.

and those we name before you in our hearts

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Lord Jesus, we thank you that you brought us into your family, not as we humanly count kinship, but as children of the one Father. Help us to look on all those we encounter and all those with whom we have contact, whether face to face or in all other forms of communication, with your love and acceptance. Keep us from critical, selfish or hostile reactions, knowing that you suffered for us when we in no way deserved your sacrifice.

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Lord Jesus, we thank you that you offer us an eternal weight of glory. We thank you for all those who have passed from death to life, to live eternally in your presence. Help us to follow you in life, and at death bring us with your sisters and brothers of every age to be with you forever.

In the year's mind we remember before you Elvena Orange, George Collins, Trissette Baptist, Agnes Cook and Frederick Allen whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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