

BIDDING PRAYERS

LENT 2019

The response to these prayers is 'Hear our Prayer'.

Let us pray for Pope Francis and all church leaders that they might lead us with humility and compassion in these challenging times. May the Lord shelter them from harm.

Lord, in your mercy....

For ourselves; that we may continue to observe our Lenten resolutions and be inspired to live our lives in accordance with the fruits of the Holy Spirit - with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Lord, in your mercy....

For peace in our troubled world; may all victims of war and natural disasters know that we are reaching out to them. May they feel the warmth of God's love and find a safe place to rest until they are able to start a new life with dignity, equality and respect.

Lord, in your mercy....

For all parents - especially those with a child (or children) they are estranged from. Taking inspiration from the prodigal son and his father, may they each find ways to heal the hurt, forgive transgressions and offer a warm welcome to one another.

Lord, in your mercy....

As a new spring starts to emerge from winter, may we become more aware of the wonder of your creation. Help us to become stewards of this earth by treading lightly and thoughtfully as we go about our daily lives.

Lord, in your mercy....

Let us pray for the staff, volunteers and supporters of SCIAF. May the work that SCIAF does in helping the poorest families to survive and thrive, continue to be a real expression of God's compassion in the world today.

Lord, in your mercy....

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