

Prayers in response to coronavirus

God our Sanctuary

O God, in our global distress we pray earnestly to you.

God our Sanctuary,
gather us when separated into your presence.

God our Physician,
heal those who have contracted the virus.

God our Comforter,
embrace all who mourn the dead.

God our Home,
care for all who are quarantined.

God our Friend,
accompany all who are alone or afraid.

God our Guardian,
protect physicians and nurses.

God our Hope,
assist researchers searching for a vaccine.

God our Mighty Fortress,
preserve our societies from devastation.

God our Governor,
guide the leaders of nations toward wise policies.

God of Everlasting Arms,
in you we live and move and have our being.

God our Creator,
make once again a world of sabbath rest.

God our Savior,
redeem the suffering world by your cross.

God our Light,
shine your radiant peace into our darkness.

O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless and preserve us. Amen.

A Prayer for those affected by Coronavirus

As a response to this pandemic, we pray

for all who mourn their dead
for the thousands who have contracted the virus
for all who are quarantined
for those who are stranded away from home
for those who have lost their employment
for those who fear the present and the future
for children who cannot assemble for school
for parents with needs for childcare
for physicians, nurses, and home health aides
for hospitals and clinics
for volunteers who are serving their communities
for medical researchers
for adequate and wise governmental policies
for any other persons or needs which come now to our minds...

(a brief silence is held)

In your mercy, benevolent God: hear our prayer.

A Prayer in the Time of the Coronavirus

Almighty and All-loving God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
we pray to you through Christ the Healer
for those who suffer from the Coronavirus Covid-19
in Ireland and across the world.

We pray too for all who reach out to those who mourn the loss
of each and every person who has died as a result of contracting the disease.

Give wisdom to policymakers,
skill to healthcare professionals and researchers,
comfort to everyone in distress
and a sense of calm to us all in these days of uncertainty and distress.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord
who showed compassion to the outcast,
acceptance to the rejected
and love to those to whom no love was shown.

Amen.

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