

Priest : Lord of light and truth, look upon us who stumble in darkness. Listen to the cry we lift to you from the valley of shadows

Reader : Heavenly Father, although we have eyes, we see truth only dimly as in a dark mirror. We ask you to strengthen the eyes of our faith. **Lord, hear us**

Reader : Father, appearances often deceive. Only what our hearts mean counts with God. We pray that this Lent we may be renewed not merely in our external habits, but in the depths of ourselves **Lord, hear us**

Reader : We pray for the blind and the partially sighted and for the Royal National Institute for the Blind. **Lord hear us**

Reader : We pray for all who find life meaningless and feel that their lives lack purpose and direction. **Lord hear us.**

Reader : We pray for our mothers, whether alive or dead and give thanks for Mary's motherly care of us all. **Lord hear us**

Reader : We pray all who are suffering from Corona Virus Flu, especially Marion in South Tyneside General Hospital and Vince in Dryburn Hospital, and for all who working to stem the epidemic across the world. We pray for those who are unable to be with us at Mass today because of illness or frailty of age. We pray for the sick who look to us for our prayers, especially Leyton Cook, Kath Dempsey, Ann Donkin, Debra Potter, Gillian Gardner, Jim Howell, Margaret Potts, George Bell, Margaret Collins, Hannah Elizabeth Finnegan, Doris Foster, Margaret Metcalf, Jake Knightly, Hannah Fraser, Fred Laing, George Skelton, Edith Old, Denise Liddle, Paul Leng, Nancy & Eddie Hardy, Robert Wilson, Dean Jefferson, George Hamilton, Tony Bunand, Fr Tony Hart, Fr John Ruscoe, Julie Cameron-Heaton, Ian Marshall, Alice Murray, George Smart, Claire, Ivy Thurlbeck, Robert Hetherington, Thomas Old, David Arkley, Eve Baxter, Sandra Campbell, Margery Cook, Marrison Gunn, Lisa Darnton and Stacey Clark **Lord, hear us**

Reader : We pray for all the recently bereaved and for those who mourn anniversaries. **Lord, hear us.**

Reader : We pray for the souls of James Fitzsimmons, Philip Bradford, Gladys Timm, Alisha Webster, Margaret Henry, Nora Stafford, Sheila Middleton, Richard Thompson

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur this week: **(22nd)** Janice Shaw, Mary Crompton, John William Errington, Doris Blundell, Lilian Lathan; **(23rd)** Florence Hewitson, Amy Tarbot; **(24th)** David Bulmer; **(25th)** Lilian Edwards, Leslie Hall, Frederick Laing, Clive Wyngard (Pr.); **(26th)** Robert Watson, Jane S Ranton, Jean Stevens, Susan Colman, Katherine Rackstraw, Sarah Black; **(27th)** Gordon William Cockburn; **(28th)** William Calder, William Atkinson. **Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord...**

Reader : Mary walked always in the light. Let us pray with her as we say together..... **Hail Mary.**

Reader: Let us look into our true selves and pray for a moment about what we find there.

Priest : Almighty God and Father, you have brought us out of darkness in to the truth. Grant to us all the grace to live in your light, and to stay clear of illusions and self-deception. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, your son and our Lord, who lives and reign with you and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.