

Intercessions for All Saints Day

United in the company of all the faithful
and looking for the coming of the kingdom,
let us offer our prayers to God,
the source of all life and holiness.

Merciful Lord,
strengthen all Christian people by your Holy
Spirit,
that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy
nation
to the praise of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

Bless Richard our bishop and all ministers of your
Church,
among them those who serve us in West
Hereford
and those working to choose a new Rector for
our team ...
that by faithful proclamation of your word
we may be built on the foundation of the
apostles and prophets
into a holy temple in the Lord.
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the people who make up
your church here ...
Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-
giving Spirit,
that we may be transformed into the likeness of
Christ
from glory to glory.
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

We pray for those parts of the world where there
is conflict and injustice ...
Give to the world and its peoples
the just peace that comes from above,
that they may find Christ's way of freedom and
life.
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your
love in the
service of the poor and needy;
all who minister to the sick and dying;
and all who bring light to those in darkness.
We remember especially all who are working to
bring us relief
in this pandemic, through government and
science, caring and serving ...
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred
by sin
or disfigured by pain,
and all those for whom the pandemic brings
sickness, poverty or anxiety ...
raised from death to life in Christ,
may their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.
Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us
who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity
...
preserve in your faith your servants on earth,
guide us to your kingdom
and grant us your peace at all times.
Lord in your mercy
All Hear our prayer.

Hasten the day when many will come
from east and west, from north and south,
and sit at table in your kingdom.
Lord in your mercy
All Hear our prayer.

We give you thanks
for the whole company of your saints in glory,
with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and
praises;
by your grace may we, like them, be made
perfect in your love.
**Blessing and glory and wisdom,
thanksgiving and honour and power,
be to our God for ever and ever.**
All Amen.