**Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith:** **receive the prayers we offer**

Let us pray for the preservation of the earth. Inspire all the world’s peoples to use the earth’s resources wisely, teach us to Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle, and toavoid packaging which requires expensive recycling procedures

We give thanks for the beauty and abundance of the earth. Give us and all peoples grace to live in harmony with your creation, wisdom and generosity in our use of its bounty. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer**

Let us pray for peace and shared prosperity and especially for a quelling of further virus outbreaks. We pray for leaders of countries struggling with mounting Covid-19 cases, all health workers and the World Health Organisaion. We pray specifically for all *t*hose who are impacted greatly by COVID-19, especially the poor and marginalised. Help bring peace and sooth the tensions currently so active in the United States and facilitate a smooth transition to the incoming government.

We give thanks for leaders who serve the common good. Give wisdom to those who have responsibility and authority in every land, that we may share with justice the resources of the world and work together in trust. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer**

Let us pray for our nation. Encourage all our nation’s people to truly care for one another. May we take responsibility for keeping ourselves and each other safe, monitoring our own actions for the common good. Bless our leaders who are shouldering the burden of wise decisions made in difficult times. We pray especially that Australia will find strength in a compassionate national discourse, at a time of heightened worry and need

We give thanks for this land and the diversity of its peoples. Grant that we may so honour one another that all may be enriched by our common heritage and freed from despair, poverty and exclusion. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer**

Let us pray for the church and its mission. Bless the congregations in the Adelaide diocese, their priests, deacons and parish councils. Help each congregation reach out to their wider community offering what is needed to bring others to know our loving God.

We give thanks for the good news of salvation for all people. Strengthen us for our work in the world, empower your Church to proclaim the gospel in service, word and sacrament. Unite in truth all who conferee your name, that we may live together in love to your glory. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer**

Let us pray for ourselves and our community. Help us to continue with our recycling here at St Jude’s, and continue to stock our pantry for those in need. Bless Sophie and her family as they begin their holiday this coming week. May she return refreshed after special family time and a change of pace. We give thanks for the fellowship of the communities in which we live and work. We commend to your keeping ourselves and each other, our families, those with whom we work and learn, our neighbours and our friends. Enable us by your spirit to live in love for you and for one another. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer**

Let us pray for those in need - those who are feeling anxious and vulnerable across the world and here in Brighton - those who are sick, and their loved ones - those who are isolated - those who are mourning the loss of loved ones. We pray especially today for Pat, Ben, Kym, Jane, Angus, Hamish, Declan, Raewyn, Lorraine, Sue, Virginia, Desmond, Jan, Leanne, Jorja & Emma, Adelaide , Zoe, Rosemary, Margaret, Paul, Jackie, Llyal, Daryl, little Elliot, Sidney, Margaret, Patricia, Chris, Janetta & Wayne, Susan, Jackie, Fay, Peter, Peter, Paul, Michael, Lesley, Norma, Joyce, Joyce, Don, Eden, David & Ben, Robin, Anna, Michelle. We also remember the St Jude’s Players, the work of Anglicare & ABM, our Junior Jude’s families, Goodstart Childcare staff and families, & all our local church communities.

We give thanks that you are the God who brings mercy and wholeness. Comfort and heal, we pray, all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble. Give to those who care for them wisdom, patience and gentleness and to us all, your peace.

Let us give thanks for the faithful departed. We give you thanks for your servants in every age. Grant that we, and all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your kingdom.

**Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.**

**Grant that what we have asked in faith, we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**