

Prayers of the Faithful 3rd & 4th August 2024.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Celebrant

Lord hear the prayers we bring to you today and the prayers deep within our hearts.

Response: Hear our prayer.

We pray for our Holy Roman Catholic Church, our Pope, Bishops and priests, particularly for Fr Keiron. We pray for all the lay helpers in our church, the administrators, cleaners, maintenance persons, readers, flower arrangers. All the people who keep both the building and the community here for us. **Lord in your mercy...**

We ask for help and comfort for the families in Southport, those whose children have been murdered and those who are still in hospital. We pray for eternal rest for the dead and speedy health and healing for those in hospital and the community around them. **Lord in your mercy**

Our prayers go to you Lord, for the Emergency services, hospital staff, ambulance personnel, fire fighters, Police, social workers and counsellors who are always there in any crisis and help without question even when they themselves are the subject of attack. **Lord in your mercy ...**

We remember those who are ill, both in our parish and beyond. Those who are in pain, waiting for operations, those in hospital or care homes who are unable to go out and enjoy our lovely summer weather. **Lord in your mercy**

Many people are grieving. They have lost family members, both after a long illness and very suddenly. Some we pray for are grieving the loss of their homes and families due to war. Some are grieving because they have been cast out from their families or their country. We pray for comfort and that they can feel hope. **Lord in your mercy ...**

Please take a moment now to remember your own personal intentions.

We bring these intentions to Mary, Christ's mother and ours too by saying **Hail Mary full of grace ...**

Celebrant: Finish as desired