

Prayers of the People – Dec. 18th, 2022 – Fourth Sunday in Advent

REAL GOD

As the new day dawns, we rejoice in the first glimmers of light which reminds us of your coming, O Christ. We give thanks that your light has overcome all our darkness; may we share in the mystery of your presence in the world, and be always ready to live each day for you. Lord in your Mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

REAL CHURCH

National and local leadership, we pray for

- our Primate, **Linda**
- ELCIC Bishop, **Susan**
- our Diocesan Bishop, **Geoffrey**
- and Synodical Bishop, **Jason**
- the Interim National Indigenous Bishop, **Sidney**
- our Metropolitan, **Greg**
- the Council of the North - Diocese of Athabasca
- the Bishop of our Companion Diocese, **Michael**

Anglican Communion worldwide,

Pray for The Anglican Church of Korea

ACC The Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, Director, and the staff of Faith, Worship, and Ministry;
Sheilagh McGlynn, Youth Ministries Animator;
The Rev. Canon Dr. Scott Sharman, Animator for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations

ELCIC The Rev. Paul Gehrs, Assistant to the National Bishop, Justice and Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations; Deacon Gretchen Peterson, Assistant to the National Bishop, Youth and Leadership

Diocese of Rupert's Land

Our Congregations and Communities, especially the clergy and people of the Missions of:
saint benedict's table – The Rev. Jamie Howison;

St. Andrews Mission;

Emmanuel Mission – The Rev. Monybun (Abraham) Kuol Chuol, Incumbent and The Rev. Reuben Garang, Honorary Assistant

Lord Jesus Christ, uphold and protect your priests and ministers and all whom you have called to Christian leadership. As they lead the faithful in the truth of your word, bless them and give them hearts to love and serve you alone.

At St. Aidan's we pray for Pastor Dave and Elaine as they journey to the United Kingdom to celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ's birth with their moms and extended family. We hold them up today offering You thanks for their faithfulness and work among us and our fervent prayer that you keep them safe and healthy and return them to us with renewed energy and vigor.

REAL LIVES

Father, we pray for peace on earth, at home and abroad. We pray for homes and food for those in need in Winnipeg. We ask for healing for those suffering from addictions. We pray for personal strength of character to reach out to someone who is lonely this Advent season and welcome them into our homes.

Father, we pray that the governments of the world would work to bring prosperity and safety to all people, recognizing Your sovereignty as Lord and giver of all good things.
We lift up the people of Iran to you. Give strength and hope to those who fight against outdated laws and customs.
We remember the people of Ukraine and pray that You continue to provide courage, strength, resilience and hope.

Missions: Leaf Rapids

Lord, we thank you for the meaningful and productive visit to Leaf Rapids last weekend. We ask that this short visit would bear much fruit as You grow our relationships with the wonderful people in that community. Thank you for your protection over Janet, Lynne, Eden and Gord as they followed your calling and leadership. We pray for your blessings on the people of Leaf Rapids, that they would know Your tender care and protection. Raise up Your leaders there, to see Your hand in governing. Prepare us for what is next. Amen.

We pray for those who are ill and in need

We pray for those known to your alone, Lord. May they be comforted by your presence in their lives. We pray for all those on our prayer list..

We pray for those in hospital, PCHs and home-bound

We remember Allan, Andrew, Barbara, Carol, David, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Kathy, Laird, Margaret, Neville and Pam,

You have the power to heal our bodies, minds and spirits, Father, and we call on you to do so, in your perfect will.

We remember and give thanks for all recently departed in Christ and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

We offer our prayers and supplications to you, Lord, with confidence, and trusting that you hear our requests and know the desires of our hearts.

Lord, in your Mercy,

Hear our prayer.