Bidding Prayers for week beginning 6 March 21

Let us pray for our politicians and leaders, that they may be guided by wisdom in these difficult times.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

In recognition of Women's World day of prayer, let us pray for women everywhere, that they may be fully aware of their talents and use them in the service of the wider community.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

Let us pray for parents, teachers and all those who care for and instruct our children.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

Let us pray for our neighbours of all faiths and none, and in particular today we pray for the congregation of St Thomas's Oakwood.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

Let us pray for the sick of our parish, those who care for them, and those who have especially asked for our prayers

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, that the Lord may lead them to everlasting life.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

And now let us ask Our Lady, Mother of Jesus, and mother of us all, to pray with us as we say... Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

And now let us pray for a few moments in silence.