

PRAYER GUIDE FOR DEACONS
HOLY WEEK 2025

Set aside time and find a quiet place. You may find it best to pray for a section of names each day or you may prefer to set aside a longer time to pray. Do what works best for you. Get into a comfortable position and have your membership list with you. Quiet yourself and turn toward God.

You may know some of the people on your list but many you won't know. If you know them you might imagine their face as you pray for them. Pray for every name, adults and children. Consider these ways to pray for the names on your list:

O God, I pray for (NAME). Bless them and keep them. Make your presence known to them and respond to their needs with your grace.

Dear Lord, surround (NAME) with your love and give them the peace that only you can give.

Heavenly Creator, you made (NAME) in your image and I give thanks for them. Guide them in faithfulness.

- You might pray specifically for parents with children: *Help them to live out their faith and to teach that faith to their children. Give them the gifts they need to navigate the parenting journey.*
- You might pray specifically for children: *May they know how deeply they are cherished by you and by their faith family. May they grow in wisdom and faithfulness. Watch over them and protect them.*
- You might pray specifically for teenagers and young people: *May they know they always have a place in our faith family. Give them a deep assurance of your love. May they learn responsibility as they experience freedom. Watch over them and protect them.*
- You might conclude: *O God, I know you hear my prayers and I entrust them to you. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*