



15 MAY 2020

PRAYERS IN TIME OF COVID-19

Parishes with church bells across the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney have been asked to ring their bells five times each day, following the prayer intentions below. The faithful are also invited to join in these intentions as we unite in prayer during this time of pandemic.

9AM *Prayer for those infected with COVID-19 and all those who are sick;*

We pray for all those who are sick this day. Through the intercession of St Pope John Paul II, may they be given the grace to unite their suffering with Christ for the salvation of the world. Lord Jesus, be their strength! In Your name, we pray.

12PM *Angelus prayer for health professionals, clergy and all those caring for the sick;*

We pray for all those who risk their own safety to care for the sick. Through the intercession of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, may they continue to be examples of the sacrificial love of Jesus who gave His life so that we might have life. Lord Jesus, give them courage! In Your name, we pray.

3PM *Prayer for the unemployed, financially stressed, isolated or lonely due to COVID-19;*

We pray those who feel lonely and vulnerable during the COVID-19 pandemic. Through the intercession of Saint Anthony the Abbott, may they experience strength in Your presence and purpose in their solitude. Lord Jesus, be with them! In Your name, we pray.

6PM *Prayer for the people of Australia and especially our political leaders and health authorities;*

We pray for those in positions of authority in our country. Through the intercession of the Virgin Most Powerful, may they recognise that their power is a gift from God, and so make selfless decisions for the benefit of us all. Lord Jesus, grant them wisdom! In Your name, we pray.

9PM *Prayer for those who have died from COVID-19 and their families.*

We pray for those who mourn their loved ones who have died from COVID-19. Through the intercession of Saint Faustina, may they find hope in the unfathomable Mercy of Jesus. Lord Jesus, give them the grace to trust in You! In Your name, we pray.

