



**Prayer Diary**  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.

People and nations shall beat their swords into ploughshares  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.

Isaiah Ch. 2:3-4

**Using prayers from David Adams' book The Rhythm of Life  
let us pray for God's mercy and peace.**

**Monday.**

In families, that the barriers that divide us may be broken down. Lord, have mercy.

**Tuesday.**

For our communities, that we may live in unity, peace and concord. Lord, have mercy.

**Wednesday.**

For places of work, that there may be mutual understanding and care. Lord, have mercy.

**Thursday.**

Upon all who are torn apart by war and by violence, Christ have mercy.

**Friday.**

That all who lead nations may seek peace. Christ have mercy.

**Saturday.**

That all who work for unity may be blessed. Christ have mercy.

**Sunday.**

That as we worship the Lord our God today, wherever we are, may we know his presence and his love.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Prayer.** An extract from a reflection by Godfrey Birtill on the cross of Jesus....

When I stop at the cross  
I can see the love of God.  
But I can't see competition.  
I can't see hierarchy.  
I can't see pride or prejudice  
or the abuse of authority.  
I can't see lust for power.  
I can't see manipulation.

I can't see rage or anger  
or selfish ambition.  
I can't see unforgiveness.  
I can't see hate or envy.  
I can't see stupid fighting  
or bitterness or jealousy.  
I can't see empire building.  
I can't see self-importance  
I can't see back-stabbing  
or vanity or arrogance.  
I see surrender, sacrifice, salvation,  
humility, righteousness, faithfulness, grace, forgiveness,  
love! Love....love.

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To ask the Prayer Group to pray for anything you have concerns over please email Jill Smith  
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within the Prayer Group and we will pray for as long as is needed. Thank you.