

## **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

(Usually 4 to 6 prayers are used. You can choose from the ones here or write your own)

For **NAME** who in baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that she may now be admitted to the company of the saints.

Lord hear us

We thank God for the gift and privilege of knowing **NAME** and thank him for the joy and laughter she brought into our lives.

Lord hear us

We pray for all the nurses and doctors who cared for **NAME** and ask God to bless them in their work.

Lord hear us.

We pray for **NAME**'s many friends who have enriched her life that God will comfort them in their sorrow.

Lord hear us.

For our sister who ate the body of Christ, the bread of life, that she may be raised up on the last day.

Lord hear us

For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness.

Lord hear us

For those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face.

Lord hear us

For the family and friends of our sister **NAME**, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend, Lazarus.

Lord hear us

For all of us assembled here to worship in faith, that we may be gathered together again in God's kingdom.

Lord hear us

We ask the Lord Jesus Christ, who has said "I am the Resurrection and the Life" to lead his people through the gates of death into eternal life.

Lord hear us

That God will have mercy on the soul of **NAME**, May the angels lead her into paradise and may the saints and martyrs meet her at her coming.

Lord hear us

We ask the Lord to comfort those who mourn **NAME** and grant that they may be united with her in Heaven.

Lord hear us

That God will grant eternal rest to all our relatives and friends who have departed this life.

Lord hear us

That the souls of the faithful departed, may, through thy grace, rest in peace.

Lord hear us

In baptism **NAME**, received the light of Christ. We ask the Lord to scatter the darkness now and lead her over the waters of death into eternal life.

Lord hear us

Our sister **NAME** was nourished at the table of the Saviour. We pray that the Lord will welcome her into the halls of the heavenly banquet.

Lord hear us

Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. We ask God to grant them an everlasting home with his Son.

Lord hear us

Many people die by violence, war, and famine each day. We pray that God will show mercy to those who suffer so unjustly these sins against his love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace.

Lord hear us

The family and friends of **NAME** seek comfort and consolation. We ask the Lord to heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief.

Lord hear us

We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our sister **NAME**. May God strengthen our hope so that we may live in the expectation of his Son's coming.

Lord hear us

We pray for all the nurses and doctors who cared for **NAME** with such love and compassion and ask God to bless them in their work.

Lord hear us.

For **NAME** who has gone to God, that she may share everlasting peace and happiness in heaven.

Lord hear us.

That we may derive comfort and inspiration from remembering our loved ones, their goodness and the blessings they brought into our lives.

Lord hear us

That we may always see the risen Lord as the companion of our earthly journey, keeping us firm in faith and serene in hope.

Lord hear us.

That we may be compassionate towards those who are finding life difficult.

Lord hear us.

That we may always remember that we are precious to God, and that he never forgets any of us.

Lord hear us.

That we may let **NAME** go in love and trust into the hands of God  
Lord hear us.

**NAME** has now reached the shores of eternity; we pray that she may enjoy rest  
from her labours and suffering.  
Lord hear us

**NAME** fought the good fight; she finished the race, may she now receive the crown  
of eternal glory Christ won for us through his death and resurrection.  
Lord hear us.

That all who knew **NAME** may draw inspiration from her life.  
Lord hear us.

For those who mourn for **NAME** that they may be comforted in the knowledge that  
she is now at peace.  
Lord hear us.

For **NAME**'s family and friends, that the lord may keep their hearts and minds in his love and peace.

Lord hear us.

For all our departed relatives and friends, that freed from every shadow of death, they may take their place in the new creation where all tears are wiped away.

Lord hear us

For all here present, that they may hunger for a life of goodness so that they may taste true happiness.

Lord hear us