



Southwell  
Minster

*The Cathedral and Parish Church  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

## Prayers about the Outbreak

Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress.  
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Amen.

Gracious Lord,  
in this time of anxiety, we ask for your blessing  
on this diocese, this county of Nottinghamshire, this town of Southwell.  
Give wisdom to those charged with making decisions,  
courage to those on the front line,  
and a spirit of friendship and solidarity to all our communities;  
protect the sick, comfort the fearful,  
and make us confident in your love,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

God of compassion,  
be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation.  
In their loneliness, be their consolation;  
in their anxiety, be their hope;  
in their darkness, be their light;  
through him who suffered alone on the cross,  
but reigns with you in glory,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Merciful God,  
we entrust to your tender care  
those who are ill or in pain,  
knowing that whenever danger threatens  
your everlasting arms are there to hold them safe.  
Comfort and heal them,  
and restore them to health and strength;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## FOR HOSPITAL STAFF AND MEDICAL RESEARCHERS

Gracious God,  
give skill, sympathy and resilience  
to all who are caring for the sick,  
and your wisdom to those searching for a cure.  
Strengthen them with your Spirit,  
that through their work many will be restored to health;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## FROM ONE WHO IS ILL OR ISOLATED

O God,  
help me to trust you,  
help me to know that you are with me,  
help me to believe that nothing can separate me  
from your love  
revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.