## A Prayer for those Suffering from the Coronavirus

You shall not fear the terror of the night nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that roams in darkness, nor the plaque that ravages at noon. Ps 91:5-6

Merciful God, hear our fervent prayer for all who suffer from the coronavirus.

May those who are infected receive the proper treatment

and the comfort of your healing presence.

May their caregivers, families and neighbours be shielded

from the onslaught of the virus.

Give solace to those who grieve the loss of loved ones.

Protect and guide those who strive to find a cure,

that their work may conquer the disease and restore communities to wholeness and health.

Help us to rise above fear.

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#### The Caregiver's Prayer

Compassionate and healing God, share those same blessings with us as we care for those who are sick or injured.

Guide us to reach out to them with hearts of compassion and hands which serve their needs.

When they are anxious, help us to know how to reassure them.

When they feel alone, help us to notice and be present.

When they feel confused, help us to listen and assist in finding answers to their concerns.

When they need comfort, help us to communicate care and understanding.

When they are weak or discouraged help us find ways to refresh their spirits.

When doubt or darkness touches them, give your Light to guide them and lift them up.

Help us as caregivers to always turn to You as the source of our own strength and compassion as we seek to serve the needs of those who are vulnerable.

Amen.

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### **Prayer to Pray for Your Grandparents**

Dear God, please bless my grandparents - for the life they give to me. For the ways they helped me and made me strong: I give thanks. For the ways, they love me no matter what: I rejoice.

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God of life, I thank you for the joy and happiness, the moments of learning, and the guidance and care you have brought to us through our wonderful grandparents. I truly appreciate the kind of life, love, and nurturing they have given our parents, for through these, I was taught to depend on You by faith, and I was raised with the morals and values to respect others and be concerned for their welfare. Thank you, Lord, for our godly grandparents. Amen.

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#### 'Vocations'

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd, protect, we pray, the flock of God's people,

comfort us and revive our spirit, lead us to fresh pastures and restful waters.

Call from our midst new pastors, bold in spirit, generous in heart, and clear in vision.

Bless them with the gifts to become forthright messengers of hope,

strong community leaders, and wise spiritual guides for your people. Show them the gifts you have given them, inspire them with the needs of the Church, and make them brave enough to offer

and make them brave enough to offer their service for leadership in the Church. We trust that you will always give life to your Church –

keep us open for the movement of Your Spirit!