

## Prayer Focus 15th April 2018

**But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works. Psalm 73:28**

Father God, we are amazed that we can come into your presence.  
Jesus we give you thanks that you have made a way for everyone to come to God.  
Holy Spirit we praise you for the faith and courage to approach the very throne.

God we know that Your presence brings life, healing and transformation.

We want to see our World changed and your kingdom come.

Lord we long to see Your presence manifest itself in Swanage and Purbeck.

You know Lord we are not brave as lions or swift as eagles.

Few of us have outstanding talents or gifts but we are Your children!

We do have what people need - You.

Teach us to spend time with You, being in Your presence, listening to Your voice.

Help us to act when You ask, to speak Your words when directed.

We want to offer the world less of us and more of You.

Wherever we go and whoever we meet may we take Your presence.

Let us take light into darkness, hope into despair and peace into conflict.

Lord may we always be close to Your heart, keep us relying on You so that You can use us.

In Jesus name. Amen

**Family Prayer News:** Please pray for Margaret White currently in hospital & also Peter. Pray for Margaret's son Mark & the family. Many will know Pauline Weber whose husband Peter died suddenly at Spring Harvest. Give thanks that Shelia Taylor & John Cook are both out of hospital. Pray for all children's and youth groups starting again this week. Pray for our young people doing their mock exams.

**Street of the Week:** Priests Road.

Pray that God will have mercy upon our World and intervene in the Middle East

Pray for our Government especially Teresa May and the American and French Governments as well during this difficult time.

Pray for the Governments of Russia, Syria and their allies.

Pray for the UN that they will be a strong and righteousness body, fulfilling their mandate.

Pray decisions made by all those involved will be Godly, wise and seeking the common good.  
Pray for all the civilians caught in this conflict and the aid agencies seeking to help.  
Pray for all service personnel.