

## **Prayer Focus 3rd February 2019**

**For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross. Colossians 1: 19-20**

O Jesus, our World is scarred and stained by the pain of deep wounds  
that have never been confessed or much less addressed.

Reconciliation and restoration in human relationships can seem impossible were it not  
for you and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Lord for people who are struggling with the weight of abuse let them know

You are the friend who sticks closer than a brother.

Be near to the broken hearted and to the hurting.

Thank you for giving yourself as a substitute on the cross. Amen

**EBC & Local Focus:-** Pray for the safe and successful installation of the new boiler this coming week.  
Give thanks for John Dunster who will oversee the work on EBCs behalf.

Give thanks for all those who came to the concert on 1st February. Pray that the seeds sown by  
Mark's message will take fruit, prompting further contact with the church.

**Street of the Week:- Casterbridge Close**

**Swanage Community Prayer Calender:- St Mary's School - Maria Gadston - headteacher**

**National & World Prayer Points:-** Pray for Yemen - Following four years of conflict, the people of  
Yemen are crying out for help and for peace. More than 14 million people are facing starvation, and  
an estimated 85,000 children have already died from extreme hunger. Aid agencies consider this is  
the worst humanitarian crisis in the world today and are calling for concerted efforts to bring  
lasting resolution.

**Giver of Life,**

**Who hears the cries from Yemen;**

**Of mothers choosing between medicine or food,**

**Of parents grieving children lost to starvation,**

**Of those who have given up everything in hunger.**

**Hear our cries for hope, for change, for peace.**

**In your mercy, break political deadlocks,**

**Soften hardened hearts, change closed minds,**

**Open unhearing ears.**

**Let people come before power.**

**Let life be holy again.**

**Let your justice and peace**

**Shape the nation of Yemen, and the lives of all people. Amen**