

St. Nicholas Church Prayers for February

In February's cold, winter darkness when we long for winter's end and the coming of spring, we celebrate God's gift of love.



We give thanks for God's unconditional love. Love given, never withheld. Love that accepts, embraces, protects, forgives. Love with neither beginning nor end. Love seen in the darkest places. Love that came in Christ. The love of life, and cross, and resurrection. Love that was and is costly.

We give thanks for love, love shared with family, love shared with friends, for the bonds of love that unite us. Love unconditionally given and received.

Loving God, we give thanks for all who reveal your love and care through dedicated lives. We ask your blessing on all those who work among the deprived and underprivileged peoples of the world. We remember all who seek to bring peace and unity to communities and nations.

Pray for peace and security for the 1,300 MAF personnel serving overseas. May God's hand guide, protect and provide healing to those who need it. Love compels all the staff to serve in countries where challenges, sights and situations might potentially disturb their peace.



As we pray for our daily needs, we remember all who suffer from poverty, hunger and homelessness. We remember those who are deeply in debt and all who are struggling to cope with life. We ask your blessing upon all who are not sure where their next meal is coming from. We pray for the harvests of the world and for fair trade.



We remember before you all who feel confused or troubled at this time. We pray for all who are distressed and those who are not able to cope with what is happening around them. May they know your presence and your power. We ask your blessing on all who are ill at home or in hospital, especially those who are fearful or lonely.

Lord, you have called us to share in your ministry of love and care. You reveal yourself to us in the cry of the poor and the needy. Help us to be open and generous in our lives and know that when we care for the least of these we are showing our love for you, Jesus Christ our Lord. (David Adam)

