

Our care for others

Keep us under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and challenge.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
Even in our distance, may we be united
in love and care for one another and the world.

Compassionate God,
be close to those who are ill, afraid or alone.
In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light,
and show us how to be agents
of hope, consolation and light
for all in need.

Praying through the pandemic

In suffering

Bless all who are ill or in pain,
knowing that whenever danger threatens
your arms are there to hold them safe.

Comfort and heal them,
and restore them to health and strength.

For leaders

Be present with those who are guiding
this and every nation in these times;
may they make wise decisions,
seek the common good,
and value all life.

For medics & carers

Give skill and resilience
to all who are caring for the sick,
and your wisdom to those
searching for treatments and vaccines.
Strengthen them for their work
through which many will be
restored to health.