

A Collect for St. Stephen's Family (Updated Every Monday)

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, hear our prayers for St. Stephen's parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Let love, harmony, mutual respect and concern prevail in every family of this parish. Let those who live alone be not lonely in their solitude, but may find fulfillment in loving you and their neighbor. Especially we hold in your presence and place in your care, these your children this day,

We pray for the Anglican Communion throughout the world. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember []. We remember Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop; John Harvey Taylor our Bishop Diocesan; Diane Jardine Bruce our Bishop Suffragan; Samuel Azariah our Assisting Bishop. In Deanery 7 we remember [] and locally we remember []. We pray for MasterPeace Ministries, for Seminario Teológico y Misionero del Cusco, Peru, for Pastor Damaso Hulica Layme, and for The Rev. Guy Leemhuis and Stacey Forte-Dupré in their respective ordination discernment processes.

We pray for the victims of war, disease (especially all affected by COVID-19/coronavirus), famine, natural disaster, domestic gun violence, terrorism and systemic racism, as well as the poor, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, and the oppressed. We pray for Carol's Kitchen, H.E.L.P., Inc., Table of Plenty, Side by Side Humanitarian, Redlands Walk-in Medical Services, Faith in Action, Kids Cures, and other assistance providers. We pray for our Law Enforcement Officers, First Responders, San Gorgonio Memorial Hospital and other area hospitals, and all schools. For health care workers, truck drivers, grocery stockers, delivery people, others who risk their health and often their lives to serve us, and all who lost their jobs or are displaced because of the pandemic. We pray for all elected and appointed public officials. We pray for all who travel. We pray for the incarcerated and those who minister to their needs. We remember the departed, especially Rudy Arce, Sr., and all who died from COVID-19.

We remember those with ongoing health needs: Rudy Arce, Mike Barrett, Betty Bassler, Pete Blakemore, Brandon Boerst, Jim Bombanti, Tamara Boone, Jarda Kay Long-Booz, Pete Booz, Lindsey Burcham, Robbie Carbs, Virgie Clark, Shannon Collis (priest), Bubba Cresswell, Ann Dahlberg, Alyene Dennis, Davis family, Mike Dill, Carolyn Dimond, Ann Donaldson, Bill Eldrich, Virginia Erwin, (priest), Gerlinde Filijan, Lindsey Filijan, Michelle Filijan, Marilyn Forhane, Butch Gantner, Matthew Gantner, Rachel Garr, Bill Hanley, Chuck Hough, Bruce Koehn, Don and Sue Kumanski, Patrick Long, Don McGrath, Gary McKagoe, Chuck McKimney, Pat Mandeville, Nancy Neely, Renee Pedreia, Jeanne Pelletier, Don and Carolyn Perry, Cheryl Ralston, Joe and Kate Russo, Jenny Ryan, Sally, Sheldon Smith, Silas, Steven, Gary Sullivan, Dave Swan, Anthony Tolone, Bart Vaughan, Jerry Walker, Gail West, Hedi Wheatley, Jan Weir, Sherry Wood, Abby Wright, Erin Zarichny, Ginger, Jack, Robert, Katie, Steven, Winnie, Josie, Christopher, Jim, Corey, Lil, Carol, Tamera, Bailey, Greg, Sondra, Elizabeth, Mitchell, Corie, Nick, Paxton family, Cherrill, Gene, Joe, Alexander. [Any you wish to offer...]

We pray for our mission, "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ," as carried out through the ministry of our members.

Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen. (9/14/20)*