



Litany of Grace

The members of PF Stamford have composed this wonderful litany as an encouragement for us all.

Gracious and caring God, we come to you for Grace and Hope as we live through the pandemic which imprisons us at home restricting our freedom.

Lord of grace and hope, bless us with patience and strength to be good neighbours in this time of trouble.

Merciful and loving God, we regret being unable to go into prison to support those wishing to turn their lives around and be crime-free. Whilst we wait we raise to You some positives our members have noticed during this time of isolation.

Lord of grace and hope, bless all prisoners with patience and commitment to achieve a safe, good and caring future.

'I have gained in becoming far more in patience and endurance.' - S

"Seeking to discover the Presence of God in all the minutes of each day as they happen and then to live each day in the NOW with gratitude and thanksgiving" - A

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of this blessing.

"To give thanks each day for the joy of being quiet and still whilst reflecting on the beauty of God's creation and His love." - B

"I count my blessings each day for what I have but am now acutely aware of those who have very little" - H

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of this blessing.

"I have developed a closer relationship with God and a greater understanding of what it means to 'Love thy neighbour'." - M

"I have spent a lot of time in our garden and it is whilst in the garden I feel closest to God." - D

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of this blessing.

"There are two observations I have made during lockdown that I class as positive. 1) The roads are not as busy. 2) There are more parking spaces wherever I go" - C

"I have become even more aware of so much to be thankful for: acts of kindness, birdsong, good health, sunlight, loving relationships, and the gift of faith ..." – J

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of this blessing.

"I came to know more that my God will never abandon me and I can stand firmly in his promises for example Matthew 28:20 'I am with you always, even unto the end of the world'." – J2

"Sitting in the sunshine in my lovely garden, feeling at home for the first time in years". – C2

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of this blessing.

"The weather was good so I had a holiday in the garden, all engagements were cancelled; time to reflect and time to read including St. John's gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. Very interesting with time for redirection." - M

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of this blessing.

Almighty and Eternal God, we humbly ask You to hear us as we thank You for showing us all the good and beautiful things we can find in your creation even in this time of adversity.

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise for the enjoyment of these blessings.

Compassionate God, we ask that You will find ways to extend these blessing to all in prison. Send them Your Holy Spirit to help them see that your beautiful creation is still there for all who believe.

Lord of grace and hope, we give thanks and praise and ask that all may enjoy these blessings to Your Glory. Amen