

Cost of living crisis – Christmas Church Appeal – Prayers

Prayers for the cost of living crisis

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for the opportunity to come together in your name during this Christmas time.

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus during these testing times, we ask for strength so that we may keep our eyes open to those who are struggling in our communities, moving our hearts into action to do your will.

We ask that those who follow Jesus will bring about your kingdom through acts of love and compassion, and that the Church will be bold and empowered to bring the endless love of Jesus to those in need.

We pray that those tormented by doubt and worry this Christmas may be guided by your light to courageously step forward and find the solutions to their problems, and begin their journey from desperation to hope.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

Bidding prayers

We pray for those who are struggling in our community this Christmas. May they find hope and light in their darkness.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We think of everyone who is facing financial difficulties during this cost of living crisis. May all who are in poverty, access the support they need. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We thank you, God, for the hope that we can have in you. May our actions be a sign of hope for all.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.