

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

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God of hope,

Our God, in whom we trust. You know our present plight. You stare with us at the pages of our diaries, where only one word dominates page after page, 'cancelled', 'cancelled', 'cancelled'.

You feel the pain of lives lost, routines disrupted, worry about ourselves, our friends and loved ones, about 'social distancing' being kept where human contacts are most needed.

Yet, in spite of the cross of suffering embedded in all our human lives, you surround us with loving signs of hope, and in the beauty of the Spring sunshine you assure us of new life sprouting after the dead of Winter.

You fill our hearts with gratitude for past blessings and turn our attention to each other. For all this we praise you and bless your Holy Name.

Amen

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