

A Coronavirus Prayer

Loving and healing God,

we, the people of Dingle, Fionn Trá and

Lios Póil turn to you in prayer,

confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment.

We stand before you as people of hope, trusting in your care and protection.

May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts.

Generous God,

fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old,

that we may look after one another in these challenging days.

Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families. May those who have died rest in your eternal embrace.

Comfort their family and friends.

Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance

that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people.

We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all.

Bless them and keep them safe.

O God of creation and life,

we place ourselves in your protection.

May the mantle of your peace enfold us this day and tomorrow.

St, pray for us.

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May all the saints of God, pray for us. Amen.

Prayer of St Teresa of Avila

Let nothing disturb you,

Let nothing frighten you,

All things are passing away:

God never changes.

Patience obtains all things

Whoever has God lacks nothing;

God alone suffices.

Amen

A Prayer for Sustainability

As we breathe the very air which sustains us,

We remember your love, God which compels us.

Fill us with the spirit to seek understanding.

Empty us of apathy, selfishness and fear.

Fill us with compassion and generosity.

Empty us of all pessimism and hesitation.

Breathe into us solidarity with all who suffer

beneath the crossroads of pollution and poverty.

Breathe us into action building your sustainable kingdom. (*Source: Reflections collated by Anne M. Holton*)

A Pilgrimage Prayer by Edward Hays

Life-giving God, we thank you.

You have always watched over our journeying.

You have blessed us with the signs of your presence.

We come to you now as we find ourselves
needing to take up the staff of pilgrimage once more.

We are in need of energy and renewed hope.

We are in need of your grace to unsettle and re-direct our hearts.

You call us to announce your love and your vision,
to take a prophetic stance for justice
and for peace, for the poor, the powerless and the lowly ones.

Now we proclaim the sacredness of each person.

May we be Good News as we minister and are ministered to.

Lord, may our pilgrimage together
be an opportunity to give thanks,
to redefine our vision,
to search and to be shaped and re-shaped
through reflection, interaction, challenge
and your forming love.

May we find among us the light of tomorrow's dreaming.