HT Intercessions Trinity Sunday 3rd June 2012

Almighty God our Heavenly Father, Mysterious One and Undivided Three, we pray to you, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and through Jesus Christ your son, our risen Lord.

Following the "Living Faith Week", inspire your church to increase its witness in the community. Strengthen our *individual* faith, that by prayer and the reading of your word, we may show by our daily lives, that we *are*, "Children of God".

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Holy Trinity, on this "*Diamond Jubilee Sunday*", we pray for our Supreme Governor, Queen Elizabeth; guard and strengthen her, that she may put her trust in you, and seek your honour and glory. Bless Prince Philip, and all the members of the royal family, as they undertake their responsibilities on Her Majesty's behalf. Endue the High Court of Parliament, and all the Ministers of the Crown, with wisdom and understanding. Bless those who administer the law, that they may uphold justice, honesty and truth.

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Holy Trinity, we pray for the people in so many parts of your World, who daily live in *fear* for their lives, because of wars, terrorists, and criminals; and those affected by natural disasters, failed crops and drought. Turn the hearts of the despots and tyrants, that they may see the error of their ways, learn to respect their peoples, and create societies fit for all to live in.

"Destroy O Lord, the spirit of self-seeking, in individuals and in nations. Give to the peoples and their leaders, a vision of love, and peace and reconciliation. For you alone, O Lord, can find a way, where human beings cannot."

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer. **Holy Trinity**, we pray for our community, our neighbours, our friends, and our families. Grant that this Jubilee weekend will be one, not just of celebration for a glorious reign, but an opportunity to make new friendships, strengthen existing bonds, and to heal rifts between peoples. Increase our tolerance, understanding and empathy; help us to put aside our natural reticence, and to open up in Christian friendship, to those in need. Help us to discover and develop new talents, and to use those which we already posses, both for your glory, and in the support of others. Give us the confidence to put ourselves forward in service, rather than waiting to be asked. Grant that we will be able to stand and say with Isaiah, *"Here am I Lord, send me."*

"Heavenly **Father**, your will for all your people is health and salvation. Heavenly **Son**, you came that we might have abundant life. Holy **Spiri**t, you make our bodies, temples of your presence. Holy **Trinity**, one God, in you we live and move, and have our being."

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our Prayer.

Holy Trinity, we bring before you today:

Support and strengthen them, and all those known to us individually. May they feel the power of the Threefold Trinity in their lives.

"Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured or disabled, that they may be made whole."

"Lord, grant to the dying, peace and a holy death."

And we pray for the souls of the departed, ascended into heaven. (Particularly today we pray for ______)

"Lord, fortify and uphold by the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit, those who are bereaved."

(SILENCE)

"O Lord our God, Holy Trinity, accept the fervent prayers of your people; look with compassion on all who turn to you for help; for you alone, in your infinite mercy, can work great wonders."

Merciful Father, Accept these prayers, For the sake of your Son, Our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen