

## A Litany for the General Election

Guide the leaders of the nations that they may work for the common good, and strengthen our hearts with a vision of your kingdom.

Hear us, good Lord.

Endue the High Court of Parliament and all the ministers of the Crown with integrity, wisdom and understanding. **Hear us, good Lord.** 

Guide all candidates for office and the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

Hear us, good Lord.

Bless all those called to government and opposition; guide and guard them in their public service.

Hear us, good Lord.

Give us the wisdom and the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all creation.

Hear us, good Lord.

Let all families know your joy.

Watch over children, guide the young, and grant your peace to all in turmoil

Hear us, good Lord.

Give wisdom, courage and insight to the media defend us from deception; and help us all to engage with truth and kindness **Hear us, good Lord.** 

Give all who work in healthcare your compassion, skill and wisdom.

Be their strength and their shield as they give of themselves in the care of others.

Hear us, good Lord.

Heal the sick in body and mind and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, good Lord.

Grant to all our neighbours safe and affordable housing, and help us to build communities where all have space to flourish.

Hear us, good Lord.

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Give wisdom and compassion to those who teach, strength to those who lead our schools, and guidance to those who set policy.

Hear us, good Lord.

Guide the leaders of the world with wisdom and compassion, bring relief to those who suffer, and lead us towards a world without hunger.

Hear us, good Lord.

We commend to your gracious keeping all who serve in the armed forces.

Keep alive in them and in us your vision of peace.

Hear us, good Lord.

For industry and commerce, for small businesses and enterprise, and for trade and investment hear us, good Lord.

Look with mercy on those who flee from danger, homeless and hungry.

Bless those who work to bring them relief, and inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts.

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For the right ordering of work in time of technological change:
For communities that have lost traditional industries, and for their regeneration:
For all expanding industries and for those creating and those seeking new jobs:

Heal the sick in body and mind and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, good Lord.

Show your mercy on prisoners and refugees and all who are in trouble, need, or distress.

Lord, have mercy.

Bless those who administer the law, that they may uphold justice, honesty and truth. **Hear us, good Lord.** 

Help us to use developments in science to heal and not to hurt, give wisdom to government and regulators, and grant that the world might benefit from innovation and avoid potential harms.

Hear us, good Lord.

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting.

Amen.

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