PRAYER TO JESUS DURING COVID-19

We pray to you, Jesus

for an increased awareness of, and commitment to, health and communal safety measures for coronavirus COVID-19 in Australia and in our world, in our parish community and in our Archdiocese, in our families, social groups and with our friends, in our rural and urban communities, in our workplaces, businesses, means of transport and social activities, in our schools, daycare centres and playgrounds, in our shopping, travel and leisure, in our love of neighbour.

We pray to you, Jesus

that we work together as a community to heed the health alerts and not ignore them, to be calm and not panic, to uplift each other's spirits and not be pessimistic, to be open to further change as needed, to love our neighbour.

We pray to you, Jesus

for the many ways in which we care in our respect of others, in our conversations and activities, in our willingness to adapt our lifestyles, in our gifts of patience and tolerance, in our use of social media, in our personal and communal prayer for others and ourselves, in our love of neighbour.

We pray to you, Jesus

for people affected in any way by coronavirus, for people who have died and their families, for people who have coronavirus and those who have recovered, for people who are in isolation at home, for people working in hospitals, clinics and medical centres, for people in nursing homes and other community centres, for doctors, nurses, medical staff and medical scientists, for ambulance, emergency service and information technology personnel, for carers, counsellors and pastoral care ministers. for our love of neighbour.

We pray to you, Jesus as family.

Give us the courage to work together as family. We ask your blessing upon us.

Amen Fr Gerry Hefferan

