

Wave of Prayer
3rd—5th December
An Idea for a Service

Leader: We gather together in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with us all.

**God of our days and years,
we set this time apart for you.
Form us in the likeness of Christ
so that our lives may glorify you **AMEN.****

We say together the Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

We listen to today's Reading from St Mark's gospel, chapter 10, reading verses 13-16.

Leader: Together we call to mind our Wave of Prayer partners, and pray for them now.

- * Akot Diocese in South Sudan, and the Bishop Isaac Dhieu Ater
- * SW Tanganyika Diocese in Tanzania, Bishop Matthew Mhagama, Mariam, President and Philomena, Diocesan Coordinator
- * Aba and Irele-Ese Dioceses in Nigeria, and Bishops Christian Ugwuzor and Joshua Sunday Oyinlola
- * Cuttack Diocese in India and Bishop Surendra Kumar Nanda
- * Kapsabet in Kenya, Bishop Paul and Mama Seline, President

**Loving God, as we hold in our hearts our sisters of the Mothers' Union throughout the world,
we pray especially today for the members in our partner dioceses,
Give them, with us, inspiration, courage and confidence,
as together we strive to follow in the path set before us by Mary Sumner so many years ago.**

May they, with us, keep before them, her vision of a movement of women with faithful marriage and the welfare of children at its heart.

As we recall those words of Jesus, "Let the little children come to me," we pray for all those working for the spiritual, physical and emotional wellbeing of children, wherever they may be. AMEN .

Leader: O Lord our God, listening to us here, you accept also the prayers of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, the Pacific, the Americas and Europe, we are all one in prayer; so may we, as one, rightly carry out your commission to witness and to love in the Church and throughout the world.

Accept our prayers graciously, as we offer them in Jesus' name. **AMEN**

Together we pray our Mothers' Union prayer,

Loving Lord

And together we pray our Christian family prayer,

Our Father..... ,

Leader: We go into the world to walk in God's light, to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory. AMEN