

Civic and Church Leaders
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Almighty God

We first thank You for our city – for its vibrancy, its energy, its beauty, its wealth, its people, its freedom.

All these good things are from Your hand. We benefit from them daily. Truly You have given us our daily bread.

We acknowledge Your goodness and Your provision for us.

We acknowledge our responsibility to contribute to the life of our city – as citizens, as workers, as leaders; our desire is to contribute practically, culturally, economically, and most importantly, spiritually.

We thank You for those who lead Your church in this city – of all denominations. When we see their faithful conduct we are blessed.

We remember them before You, asking that as they seek to walk by faith, true to the calling of the church, You might guide their path.

We ask that as they confront the difficult moral and ethical issues of our time, seeking to lead their flocks, they may have wisdom and courage. We ask that they may have a sense of Your leading and comfort, and that they may know the support of faithful congregations.

We thank You for the leaders of our civic institutions. We think of our Premier, our Lord Mayor, the Parliament and councils, other representative and deliberative bodies, and the countless charitable organisations that work in this city - for our good.

We humbly ask that they might govern wisely and rightly. We ask for them, too, wisdom and courage to do what is right – even if they are not people of faith, yet have mercy on them, and on us and this city, and guide their path.

And as You answer our prayers, keep us mindful of Your grace and mercy, and most of all of the salvation we have in Christ.

We pray all these things in His name

AMEN