

Scottish Church Leaders commend initiative taken by Pope Francis

On behalf of the Christian churches of Scotland we wish to commend the initiative taken by Pope Francis in inviting all Christians to pray the Lord's Prayer simultaneously at 11am (UK Time) on Wednesday, 25 March.

Pope Francis made the invitation on Sunday and called on Christians across the globe to join together in prayer. He said:

'In these trying days, while humanity trembles due to the threat of the pandemic, I would like to propose to all Christians that together we lift our voices towards Heaven'.

We wish to echo the invitation made by Pope Francis and call upon the people of God in Scotland, and across the world, to share in the prayer of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Signed by:

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Most Rev. Leo Cushley, Archbishop of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, Roman Catholic Church

Most Rev. Mark Strange, Primus, on behalf of the College of Bishops, Scottish Episcopal Church

Rev. John Fulton, Moderator, United Free Church of Scotland

Rev. Dr David Pickering, Moderator, United Reformed Church (Scotland)

Rev. Martin Hodson, General Director, Baptist Union of Scotland

Rev. Mark Slaney, District Chair, Methodist Church (Scotland)

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