Hinckley United Reformed Church. Prayers for week beginning March 27th

A walk around town.

This weeks prayers will lead us to Palm Sunday. The day we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. It will have been a long journey, still meeting people, healing and teaching.

Some of the words Jesus spoke would make people at least smile. The Good Samaritan story would make people wonder what sort Son of God Jesus is. The Jews knew nothing about Good "Samaritans". And how many people laughed about a Camel going through the eye of a needle.

My aim this week is to make you at least smile.

Monday 27th March Boots

There are 2 Boots outlets in Town, Opticians and Chemist. Both valuable outlets. One outlet dispenses our glasses. In some cases, they are just a fashion item. It is just one of the outlets that dispenses our medication.

But think about those who have no boots, never had any boots or shoes. God invited Moses to "take his shoes off as He was on Holy Ground"

Tuesday 28th

Charity Shops. These do 2 things. Stop clothes being thrown away, and give our unwanted clothes a second life. They provide much needed funds for the charity and provide clothes at a very low price for those who do not have the money to buy new garments.

Pray for the charities and those who buy from the shops

Wednesday 29th

Banks. There are fewer and fewer banks on our high streets. We have come a long way since we used cash for all things we purchased. Remember today those who have had money stolen, yes even from the bank.

Betty and I have heard of people here in Hinckley that have been cheated into parting with their money.

Thursday 30th

Bakers. We know of 2 market stalls that sell bread and cakes each Friday. Some of the loaves are very traditional.

How many times have you said that something is, "The best thing since sliced bread"?

Bread meant a great deal to Jesus... This is my body broken for you, we hear every time we sit around the Lord's Table.

Take and eat in remembrance of me.

Remember Him today, and thank Him for giving His life for us.

Friday 31st

Hope. Yes there is a clothes shop in Station Road called Hope. One day I will ask why they have used Hope?

Hope is a word of our faith. Here are some words written by Paul. (Romans 5 v2) "...²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope ⁵And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us."

Saturday 1st April

Travel Agents. Yes many of us have used Travel Agents. All Jesus' journeys were on foot, no maps or satnavs. Mary and Joseph took Jesus to Jerusalem most years during His childhood.

Think of those who have left their homes to go and preach the Gospel in other countries. There are others who are fighting for what they believe is a good cause.

Sunday 2nd

Palm Sunday

Churches. We are getting near to Easter when as a Church we need to witness to what it all means.

Pray for today and all who will be celebrating Palm Sunday, pray for the walk of witness next week.

Pray for those who are leading worship during next few weeks, may their words be true and meaningful.