



Bereavement Resources

with special reference to **Olivia Pratt-Korbel**

God of compassion, we pray for Olivia, murdered at her home, and all those who have died on the streets of our city. We commit to your loving care her and those who have died in similar incidents, confident that you will receive their souls into the mercy of your love. Comfort their loved ones who are heartbroken, and all those who mourn the lost lives. Enable them to meet the lonely and painful days ahead in the strength of your love and mutual support. Soften the hearts and steady the minds of those who would do violence to others. May hate be replaced with love, violence with peace and darkness with your light. Let the love that you have made known to us lead us to create a safer city and protected streets for all to walk upon in peace. Amen.

PRAYERS

- [Catholic Prayers for the Dead](#)
- [Catholic Cemeteries – Prayers for a Child who has Died](#)
- [Anglican Prayers for Use in Cases of Sudden and Unexpected Death](#)

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

- [Cruse](#) – bereavement support charity: **0808 808 1677**
- [Child Bereavement UK](#) – a plethora of resources, films, and books **0800 02 888 40**
 - [Education sector](#)
- [Winston's Wish](#) - bereavement support for children & young people: **0808 802 0021**
- [Ideas for adults to help children grieve](#) – a useful Methodist resource with a child's prayer
- [Grief & Loss – a Guide for Young People](#)
- [The Art of Dying Well](#) – after the death of a child
- [Rainbows](#) – to help with children who have experienced grief
- [Resource on Traumatic Death](#) - from California Catholic, USA

MURDERED CHILDREN

- [List of murdered children with prayers and a video memorial \(at the bottom of the page\)](#)

Suggested scripture reading: Numbers 6:24-2

Dear Father, we present before You those who are victims of shooting. We ask that You touch their hearts. Lord, heal their brokenness and help them not to think and reflect on the violence, but help them to turn towards peace in their hearts. So, heavenly Father, for every shooting victim, we ask that You will bless them and keep them; make Your face shine upon them and be gracious to them; Father turn your face towards them and give them peace in the midst of turmoil, this we pray, Amen.

<https://connectusfund.org/7-strong-prayers-for-shooting-victims#:~:text=Dear%20Lord%2C%20we%20bless%20You,in%20Christ%20Jesus%20our%20Lord.>