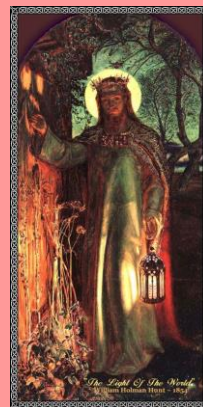


# Worthing Deanery Prayer

The theme of this week 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

## Witness



## Reflection

On Sunday the story in John's Gospel recounts when Jesus was in Jerusalem and came across a man who had been blind from birth. At the time of Jesus any illness or disability according to Jewish Law was believed to have been sent from God to punish the person or their parents who had sinned. Jesus tells the Twelve that the man born blind had not sinned nor had his parents. He was born blind so that the works and miracles of God might be displayed in him. Jesus cures the man but the priests and teachers of the Law reject this miracle cure and do not believe it, they do not "see" it! They do not want to see. Jesus tells them that they are even more guilty of their own sins because they can indeed see but they choose not to change their ways, repent and turn back to God. Perhaps even today in our lives we only "see" what we want to see because that suits us. Do we see and recognise the need to be more honest, kind, trusting, caring, helpful, prayerful? **Where will you 'see' and witness God in action this week?**

## Prayer

**"I have come into this world,  
so that those without sight may see  
and those with sight turn blind."**

John 9: 41

## From the bible

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!  
"I am the light of the world," says the Lord;  
"anyone who follows me will have the light of life."  
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!