

The Churches of the Axe Valley Mission Community
Share The Nation's Grief At This Time of Bereavement

Our deep sympathy and prayers are with her Majesty the Queen,
the Royal Family and the Nation.



His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh (Photo: PA)

An on-line book of condolence can be accessed here :

<https://www.churchofengland.org/remembering-his-royal-highness-prince-philip>

Floral Tributes

In line with the wishes of the Royal Family and with public safety guidelines, we ask that you consider making a donation to a charity rather than placing any floral tributes in memory of The Duke of Edinburgh.

Prayers for use during the period of mourning

Heavenly Father,
into whose hands Jesus Christ commended his spirit at the last hour:
into those same hands we now commend your servant Philip,
that death may be for him
the gate to life and to eternal fellowship with you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Remember, O Lord, your servant Philip,
who has gone before us with the sign of faith
and now rests in the sleep of peace.

According to your promises, grant to him and to all who rest in Christ,
refreshment, light and peace;
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding,
surround the Queen and the Royal Family with your love,
that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss,
but have confidence in your goodness,
and strength to meet the days to come.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In this moment of sorrow the Lord is in our midst and consoles us with his
word:

No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him.

Blessed are the sorrowful; they shall be comforted.

Into your hands, O Lord,

we humbly entrust our brother Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

In this life you embraced him with your tender love,
and opened to him the gate of heaven.

The old order has passed away, as you welcome him into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain,

but the fullness of peace and joy

with your Son and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.