

Blessings you can use when praying for your municipality

We pray for and bless our town because we love it and want it to be a good place for children, young people and adults.

Child care centres:

We bless this child care centre in the name of Jesus. May it be a safe and happy place for the staff and children. We bless the children's development, their play and their ability to develop friendships. We bless their opportunities to hear about Jesus and his love for them. May those who have a difficult life, receive the help they need. Lord, please may children be allowed to be children! Please protect them from assault and other damaging experiences. May the children be affirmed so they feel secure in their identity. We bless all the staff in the name of Jesus; may they have love and wisdom as they care for the children. Please give the staff the energy they need and eyes that see.

Schools:

We bless this school in the name of Jesus. May it be a safe and happy place for the staff and children. We bless the children's ability to learn, play and develop friendships. We bless their opportunities to hear about Jesus and his love for them. May those who have a difficult life, receive the help they need. Lord, please may children be allowed to be children! Please protect the children and young people from assault, drugs and alcohol and other damaging experiences. May the children and young people be affirmed so they feel secure in their identity.

We bless the teachers and other staff in the name of Jesus; may they have love and wisdom as they work with the pupils. Please give them the energy they need and eyes that see.

Restaurants and cafes:

We bless all who work here in the name of Jesus. May they provide true hospitality and give people a sense of belonging. We bless them as they show hospitality and pray that they will discover Jesus, who loves mealtimes, banquets and an inviting table. May the staff have good working conditions and a capable management, so that the company becomes a good source of income for everyone.

We bless the guests in the name of Jesus. May they have good conversations that encourage them and deepen relationships.

Market, town centre, shopping street, shopping centre:

We bless this shopping centre/shop/street/market in the name of Jesus, and all trade that takes place here. We bless those who work here; may their business increase and create value and services for people in Sandnes. We bless the conversations that take place here. We bless those who honour your name. Please fill their mouths with wisdom and truth as they speak with each other. In the name of Jesus we bless the sense of belonging to a community. May this sense continue to increase so that people feel less lonely.

Pharmacies, medical centres, dentists, hospital, psychiatric day clinic, health clinics:

We bless the staff in the name of Jesus. May they have wisdom and love as they meet the patient/client, so that everyone receives the help they need. May those who work with babies and children have love, wisdom and insight so they can identify those who need help and protection. May the staff have good working conditions and receive the strength they need for the day. We bless the patient/client in the name of Jesus. May they receive the assistance they need for body, soul and spirit. Please bless those who live in Sandnes with good physical and mental health. We bless, in the name of Jesus, those who are waiting for treatment. May they receive loving care from both Jesus and people.

Church:

We bless all Christians in Sandnes in the name of Jesus, whether they are in this church or another. May each one be a shining light for everyone they encounter. Please bless the Christians with all the gifts of the Spirit, and may the Holy Spirit flow as a strong force through every one of them. We bless the fellowship between believers in Sandnes in your name, Lord Jesus, and may the fellowship that already exists, continue to grow, honouring your name and benefitting our town.

We bless the children and young people who gather here in the name of Jesus. May there be a good, welcoming atmosphere where everyone can blossom, be seen and be affirmed. May they have real encounters with you, Lord Jesus, so that their faith will endure for their entire lives. We bless their leaders in the name of Jesus. Let them have joy and plenty of energy to facilitate good and meaningful meetings for everyone who comes. May this be a safe place, Lord Jesus. Please protect those who come here from accidents and damaging experiences.

Drugs and alcohol:

We bless those who work with drug addicts and alcoholics in the name of Jesus. May God grant them success. We bless them with much courage, wisdom and love. We also pray your blessing on the drug addicts and alcoholics in the name of Jesus. May they find hope of a better life and the will and power to choose the narrow way. May they experience your love, mercy and help. We bless their relatives in the name of Jesus. May they find comfort, power and courage in you, Lord Jesus. May they receive the help and wisdom needed to care well for themselves and their families. May they find support and help to handle every day in the best possible manner.

Youth clubs

We bless this youth club in the name of Jesus. May the young people who come here have happy and useful gatherings where friendships grow and everyone feels included. We bless the leaders in the name of Jesus; may they be filled with even more love for children and young people so that they also see the ones who are struggling.

May this be a safe place. Lord Jesus, please protect it from accidents and damaging incidents.

Sports clubs

In the name of Jesus we bless children, young people and adults who work out here. Please protect them from accidents and serious injuries. May this club have a good atmosphere where everyone can blossom and feel seen, be affirmed and able to fulfil their potential. We bless the leaders in the name of Jesus; may they enjoy the work and have the energy to facilitate good gatherings for everyone who attends.

Court house, police stations, rehabilitation centres:

We bless those who look after security in our town in the name of Jesus. We also bless those who make sure everyone's rights are upheld; may their voices be heard. We bless those who want to restore people who fall and break the law.

Town Hall:

We bless everyone who works here, the elected representatives as well as those in the administration, in the name of Jesus. Please enable them to manage the resources so that they benefit everyone. We particularly pray down your blessing on the mayor and chief administrator; help them make decisions that benefit the town both in the short and the long term.

Bank and finance

We bless those who deal with money and financial funds in the name of Jesus. Please fill them with wisdom as they manage people's money. May they have good working conditions and good managers who make long-term plans that benefit the customers, the staff and the bank itself.