

PRAYERS FOR CATHEDRAL CYCLE ROUTE CYCLISTS

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

For the beauty all around us For the freedom of the road For the joy of travelling lightly through our world We give you thanks, O God. For strength of heart and limb For brains alert, and senses full For pedal power and bikes to ride We give you thanks, O God. For the support of our companions on the journey For landmarks on the route For times to stop and rest awhile We give you thanks, O God. May this journey be a blessing to us and those we meet. May we travel as your pilgrim people: open to your presence as we go. May our departure, our explorations and our arrival be marked by deep gratitude for all we shall accomplish and all that is yet to come.

Amen.

A Prayer for Safe Travels

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve these who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Adapted from the old Celtic blessing:

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rain fall soft upon your path. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand. **Amen.**