

### **The Rt Revd Graham Usher, Bishop of Norwich's Prayer for the Platinum Jubilee**

Christ our King,  
we come in gratitude for our Queen  
whose long, extraordinary reign  
has deliberately mirrored your service  
through a life of visible self-giving.

As we thank you for Elizabeth,  
- our beloved Servant Queen -  
we acknowledge her tireless devotion  
to country and to Commonwealth,  
while rejoicing at the special place  
which Norfolk has in her heart.

Thank you for her calm and constancy,  
her humour and humanity,  
her steadying words and unifying signs,  
her grace and strength and resilience.

Protect her, we pray, O Christ,  
and enfold her with your enduring love  
for, prized above the rubies in her crown,  
she is more precious to us than platinum itself.

*Amen*