

Thought for the day – Monday 20th March 2023

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Abba Amma A Mother's Love After Julian of Norwich

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Amma, mother

Your love and service to your children
is the nearest, readiness and surest
and we may trust wholly
in your will, your work and your ways.

Amma, mother

your sweet gracious hands
are ever ready and diligent about us;
in all your work
you take the role of a kind carer.

Amma, mother

you understand and know your child;
as we grow, you change
your ways of mothering to match our needs
but your love remains constant.

Amma, mother

sometimes you suffer us to fall
or to be sick in various ways,
yet you keep our bodies and souls
so that we are never in peril.

Amma, mother
as a mother tenderly wraps
her child in drapes of love,
so your love embraces, enfolds and encloses us
in your heart, where we remain for ever.
And in this endless love
is our soul kept whole.

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Julian envisioned Christ our mother.

We have been thinking about how we are loved by God through Lent. Thanks
Kit and Jonny.