

Sun 20th – Sat 26th September

‘Blessed are the Peacemakers, for they shall be known as the Children of God.’ This week pray for peace and justice to reign in God’s world.

20. Bring to God the Plymouth Emmanuel Mission Community, clergy Karl Freeman, their Readers Timothy Lyddon, Denise O’Leary and Judy Earl and the congregations at St Paul and St Augustine.
21. On this International Day of Prayer for Peace we affirm our solidarity with Christians all over the world, brothers and sisters living in diverse situations, experiencing diverse problems and sharing diverse gifts. Lord, hear our prayer. www.oikoumene.org
22. Today hold in prayer the Plympton Mission Community, their clergy Roger Beck, Reader Robert Harrison and the congregations at St Maurice and St Mary Blessed Virgin.
23. Please pray for Janet Goddard and Joanie Harris on reception in the Old Deanery for all their work and as they greet visitors to the diocesan offices.
24. In our link Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, please pray for the diocesan retreat house – Katafiyio in Cyprus: for all Christians to be refreshed and renewed in faith and life.
25. Please pray for Plymstock Mission Community, their clergy David Appleby, Steve Payne, Jennie Appleby, Readers Graham Dee and Anthony Banbury and the congregations at St John the Evangelist, St Mary & All Saints, Church of the Good Shepherd and Holy Family.
26. Hold in prayer Robert Harris, chaplain at Tyrell Community Hospital in Ilfracombe.

Sun 27th – Weds 30th September

This week pray for all farmers and those working the land during harvest time.

27. On World Tourism Day, we pray for everyone in Devon involved in tourism as they seek to make a fair living and to bring joy to visitors. We also pray for all those around the world focussed on the tourism industry as a way of reducing poverty and fostering sustainable development. www.unwto.org
28. Bring to God the parish of Buckland Monachorum, the clergy Graham Cotter, Readers Margaret Goodfellow, Peter Harlow, Paul Nixon, Mark Smith and Philip Debell and the congregations at St Andrew, Buckland Monachorum and Holy Spirit in Milton Combe.
29. On this feast of Michaelmas we pray: *Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*
30. Please pray for all attending the Safeguarding Training today in Exeter and for those training them.

Prayers

1. Please pray today for those behind the launch today of the Exeter Pound, a new local currency for the city. It is hoped it will make a positive and enduring difference to the local economy.
2. In our link with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France, pray for all those involved in planning exchange conferences, especially for speakers and those providing hospitality.
3. Please pray for the Holsworthy Deanery, especially their Rural Dean Chris Penn, Lay Chair David Robinson, Secretary Sylvia Goldspink and treasurer Lititia Yetman.
4. Pray for the Our Lady and All the Saints North Torquay Mission Community, their clergy Gorran Chapman, Robert Ward and Paul Jones, Reader Gordon Nickerson and for the congregations at St John, Torquay, St Martin, Barton, Church Hall, Barton, St Mary the Virgin, Saint Marychurch and All Saints Babbacombe.
5. Please pray for the parish of Highweek. For their priest-in-charge Michael Thayer, Reader Steven Sheldon and the congregations at All Saints, Highweek and St Mary the Virgin Abbotsbury.

Tues 1st – Sat 5th September

As we enter a season of praying for creation we pray: Every creature, every plant, every rock and grain of sand proclaims the glory of its Creator, worships through colour, shape, scent and form. A multi-sensory song of praise. Creator God, may we join with the whole of your creation in praising you, our Creator through the fragrance and melody of our lives. www.christian-ecology.org.uk



Sun 6th – Sat 12th September

Hold in prayer this week all those who have returned to schools: the children and staff and for everyone who work with young people. Pray especially for your local school.

6. In Melanesia, we pray for Archbishop David Vunagi's retirement today: Almighty God, for whom the islands wait, we give thanks for the faithful stewardship and ministry of Archbishop David Vunagi. We pray for him and for Mary as he prepares for retirement. We pray for those who will elect his successor. Guide the bishops, clergy, laity and members of the religious communities, that all may stay faithful to their calling to serve the people of Melanesia and bear witness to your holy Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
7. Please pray for Our Lady of Glastonbury Mission Community, their clergy David Bailey and David Watson and the congregations at St Aidan, St Francis and St Chad.
8. Bring to God the Paignton Mission Community, their clergy Roger Carlton, Gary Deighton and Church Army Officer Jeffery Hill and Reader Ron Edinborough and the congregations as St John the Baptist, St Andrew and St Boniface.
9. Please pray for Bishop Robert and for all who work with him in his office.
10. Hold in prayer Martyn Goss as he leads the South West Eco Church day in Exeter.
11. Please pray for all attending the Safeguarding Training today in Exeter and for the trainers Christine Hindle and Sarah Miller.
12. Pray for Bishop Sarah, our new Bishop of Crediton, as she is welcomed to our diocese in a special service in Exeter Cathedral at 4pm today.

Sun 13th – Sat 19th September

This week pray for those being ordained deacon by Bishop Robert on 13 September in Exeter Cathedral and for all those being priested on 26 & 27 September in various locations. For the full list of deacons and priests, see the diocesan website.

13. We pray today for all those being ordained deacon by Bishop Robert in Exeter Cathedral. And on this Racial Justice Sunday we pray to God for all who are far from home, prisoners, immigrants, exiles, refugees and all who seek sanctuary that God will be the shelter of their lives and souls, and help us to build communities of welcome and hospitality for all.
14. A Collect for Holy Cross Day - *Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*
15. Please pray for Ven Stephen Nduati and the clergy and people of Thika Memorial Archdeaconry in our link Diocese of Thika.
16. Pray for the Paignton Christ Church Mission Community, their clergy David Witchell, Reader Pamela Macey and congregations at St Paul and Christ Church.
17. Today, hold in prayer the Plymouth Charles Mission Community, their clergy Paul Bryce, Readers Jason Marsh and Ann Stevens and the congregation at St Matthias.
18. Please pray for Moreton Deanery, especially their Rural Dean Simon Franklin, Lay Chair and Secretary Marion Kaye and Treasurer Clare Born.
19. Please pray for all attending the Safeguarding Training today in Awliscombe, near Honiton. For the trainers Catherine Allen and Sarah Miller.

“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for all people” 11 Timothy 2:1

