

# Prayers

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> – Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May

As we follow in the footsteps of the apostles who knew Jesus in person, pray that we may be steadfast as we seek to walk the way of Christ.

1. On the feast day of Philip and James we pray - Almighty Father, whom truly to know is eternal life: teach us to know your Son Jesus Christ as the way, the truth, and the life; that we may follow the steps of your holy apostles Philip and James, and walk steadfastly in the way that leads to your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. And pray for David Caporn as he is licensed today as Team Vicar of Sid Valley Mission Community.
2. For the Saint Leonard Mission Community, their clergy Simon Austen, Chris Keane, Matt Rowland and for all who live and worship in Saint Leonard with Holy Trinity in Exeter.
3. For the Saint Matthias Mission Community, their clergy John Beckett, Paul Barton, Stephen Yates, Reader Ruth Beckett and for all who live and worship in Saint Matthias, Saint Mark and Holy Trinity in Torquay.
4. For the Saint Michael and Saint Barnabas Mission Community, their priest Tim Buckley, Readers John Wright, Lynda Buckley and for all who live and worship in Devonport Saint Michael and Saint Barnabas.
5. Pray for our healthcare chaplains and in particular for Simon Harrison, Lead Chaplain at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Juliet Horwood, Sheila Swarbrick and Celia Fox and for all who work with them.
6. Pray for Bishop Robert and for all those involved in his visit to the Torbay Deanery until 8th.



## Sun 7<sup>th</sup> – Sat 13<sup>th</sup> May

This week, as we celebrate Vocations Sunday, take time to listen to God and consider what He may be calling you to do?

7. On Vocations Sunday we pray - God our Father, Lord of all the world, through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal Church: hear our prayer for your faithful people that in their vocation and ministry each may be an instrument of your love, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
8. For the Saint Pancras Mission Community, their clergy Jon Marlow, Wendy Bray, Phillip Baul, Reader Paul Lumb and for all who live and worship in Saint Pancras Pennycross.
9. Pray for our Further Education Chaplains and especially Richard Bache at Mount Kelly College in Tavistock.
10. For the Saint Peter and the Holy Apostles Mission Community, their clergy David Way and for all who live and worship in Plymouth St Peter and the Holy Apostles.
11. Pray for all involved in the Exploring God in Dementia day at the Riverside Church in Exeter.
12. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we are asked to pray for the Centre of Theological Studies in Caen and its development of theological learning among clergy and lay people. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Caen.
13. Pray for all involved in the meeting of Bishop's Diocesan Council today at Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre.

*“When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.” Acts 2:1-4*

## Sun 14<sup>th</sup> – Sat 20<sup>th</sup> May

This week do something fun and get out in the fresh air. Thank God for the gift of life

14. At the start of Christian Aid Week we pray for God's blessing on all those involved. For good fundraising and enjoyable events that help spread the message of the good work carried out all around the world by the Christian Aid agency.
15. For the Seaton and Beer Coastal Mission Community, their priest Jeremy Trew and for all who live and worship in Seaton and Beer.
16. For the South Dartmoor Mission Community, their clergy Freddy Denman and for all who live and worship in Sparkwell, Ivybridge, Harford and Cornwood.
17. Pray for Samantha Stayte as she is licensed today in the Lyn Valley Mission Community.
18. Pray for all at the Devon County Show until 20th. Bishop Nick is Vice President and the Church Tent provides a place for much needed refreshment and relaxation. Pray for all involved in the children's work.
19. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf pray for the work of the church in Limassol, for the mutual enrichment of different cultures and age groups, for social outreach projects and for all those anxious about the future of Cyprus.
20. Hold in prayer the Holsworthy Deanery, especially their Rural Dean Chris Penn, Lay Chair Helen Young, Secretary Sheila Grabham and Treasurer Letitia Yetman.

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# CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> – Wed 31<sup>st</sup> May

Pray for God's world: for all who work on the land to provide food for us and for wise stewardship of the precious planet. Pray for all churches planning outdoor events for Rogationtide.

21. On Rogation Sunday we pray for God's blessing upon the rich earth, human labour, the produce of the earth, the seas and waters and upon the work of aid agencies as they work in war zones and droughts to care for people and the environment.
22. Pray for the House of Bishops, meeting today and tomorrow, for the first time since General Synod. Pray for wisdom and discernment.
23. In our link with Thika we are asked to pray for Namrata Shah Children's home. For Josphat the manager, Mary the house mother and for the new intake of younger children who have come from desperate situations into a home where they will receive love and care. Also for the older children in their studies and for those who are now boarding at secondary schools.
24. For the Shirwell Mission Community, their priest Rosie Austin, Reader Gail Ward and for all who live and worship in Stoke Rivers, Shirwell, Loxhore, Kentisbury, East Down with Arlington, Challacombe and Bratton Fleming.
25. On Ascension Day we pray - Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever.
26. For the Sid Valley Mission Community, their clergy Philip Bourne, David Caporn, Susie Williams, Annita Denny, readers John Dunster, Carole Hawkins, Carolyn Croft and for all who live and worship in Woolbrook, Sidmouth, Sidbury with Sidford, Salcombe Regis and All Saints Sidmouth.
27. In our link with Melanesia we hold before God Sister Veronica, now elected as Provincial Sister for the Community of the Sisters of the Church, in Melanesia. Prepare her, we pray, with the gifts of wise leadership for the tasks which lie before her.
28. For the Silverton Mission Community, their clergy Alan MacDonald, Catherine Jenkins, Thom Thompson and for all who live and worship in Silverton, Cadeleigh, Butterleigh and Bickleigh.
29. For the Shaldon Mission Community, their priest Annie Church and for all who live and worship in Stokeinteignhead, Shaldon, Haccombe and Combeinteignhead.
30. For the Sampford Peverell Mission Community, their clergy Sue Blade, Glyn Lewry, Readers Julia Barrett, Mandy Lewry and for all who live and worship in Uplowman, Sampford Peverell, Holcombe Rogus, Hockworthy, Halberton with Ash Thomas and Burlescombe.
31. For the South Molton Mission Community, their clergy Michael Grandey, David Coleman, Bryant Sanders, Lynn Flatt, Christopher Pouncey, Reader John Cundill and for all who live and worship in Warkleigh with Satterleigh, South Molton with Nymet Saint George, Kingsnympton, Filleigh, Chittlehampton with UMBERLEIGH and Chittlehamholt.

