

Prayers

Sun 1st – Sat 7th April

1. On Easter Day we pray: Gracious God, we thank you for the light of new life made possible through Jesus. We pray that the Easter light of life, hope and joy will live in us each day and that we will be bearers of that light into the lives of others.
2. Pray for the Yealm and Erme Mission Community, their priest Anne Legge and for all who live and worship in Revelstoke, Newton Ferrers and Holbeton.
3. In our link with Thika we are asked to pray for farmers preparing their land and hoping for adequate rain this month to produce a good harvest. Pray for the development of more resilient farming methods to cope with the changing climate which makes the seasons unpredictable.
4. For the Yealmside Mission Community, their clergy Owen Murphy, Martin Kirkbride and for all who live and worship in Yealmpton, Wembury and Brixton.
5. Pray for the Abbotskerswell Mission Community, their priest John Leonard, Readers Tim Collins, Ian Firth, Ruth Bettesworth and for all who live and worship in Kingskerswell, Coffinswell and Abbotskerswell.
6. For the Alphington Mission Community, their priest Mike Partridge, Reader Lesley Phillips-Cannon and for all who live and worship in Shillingford St George, Ide and Alphington.
7. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we are asked to pray for chaplaincies with students at school and university, for those preparing for confirmation and undertaking trips to Taize. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Bretteville-sue-Laize.

“They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.”
Luke 24:33-35



Sun 8th – Sat 14th April

This week continue to thank God for the signs of new life all we see all around us in the flowers and trees and plants of all kinds.

8. Today is the Civic Service for Devon County Council. Pray for all our County Councillors and for the new Chairman Ray Radford.
9. On the feast of the Annunciation as we remember the visit of the Archangel Gabriel to Mary giving her the news of her pregnancy, we pray for all mothers and for all those who long to be mothers.
10. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf we pray for St George's in Baghdad with its congregation of people from different Iraqi denominations. Pray for the work of the clinic there, kindergarten, Mothers' Union branch and for all the events that take place in the large hall. Pray also for Hope Cultural Centre and School under construction.
11. Pray for David Nixon as he is licensed today as the new priest at St Thomas Church in Exeter.
12. For the Aune Valley Mission Community, their priest Daniel Hartley, Reader Nell Stamp and for all who live and worship in Woodleigh, Thurlestone, South Milton, Loddiswell and Churchstow.
13. Pray for our Higher Education chaplains and particularly Chantal Mason, Hannah Alderson and team working at the University of Exeter.
14. For the Axe Valley Mission Community, their clergy Clive Sedgewick, Cate Edmonds, Geoffrey Walsh, Readers Tony Nixon, Su Clark and for all who live and worship in Membury, Combyne with Rousdon, Chardstock St Andrew, Axminster and All Saints.

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Sun 15th – Sat 21st April

As the days get warmer enjoy a walk around your neighbourhood. Pray for all who live there.

15. For the Barnstaple Mission Community, their clergy David Fletcher, Andy Dodwell, Nigel Dilkes, Guy Chave-Cox, Marion Sanders, Cathy Scoffield, Shirley Paterson, Readers Joanna Pay, John Hartfield and for all who live and worship in Sticklepath with Roundswell, Pilton with Ashford, Newport, Goodleigh, Bishops Tawton, Barnstaple St Peter and St Mary Magdalene and Barnstaple Holy Trinity.
16. For the Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston Mission Community, their clergy Nick Law, Dawn Oakley, Readers Sheila Gay, Susan Belfield and for all who live and worship in Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston.
17. Pray for all our hospital chaplains and in particular for the work of co-ordinating chaplain Martin Manley and team chaplains Angela Sumner and Sally White at Torbay Hospital.
18. Pray for all those leading and attending the safeguarding training today in Exeter, 24th in Barnstaple, 25th in Exeter.
19. For the Bideford and the Four Villages Mission Community, their clergy Claire Rose-Casemore, Marisa Cockfield, Madeline Bray, Leigh Winsbury, Readers Peter Hooper, Sarah Cordingley and for all who live and worship in Weare Giffard, Monkleigh, Littleham, Landcross and Bideford.
20. For the Bovey Valley Mission Community, their clergy David Harris, Graham Hamilton, Simon Franklin, Readers Lionel Holmes, John Randall and for all who live and worship in North Bovey, Moretonhampstead, Manaton, Lustleigh, Ilsington, Hennock, Bovey Tracey St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury and Bovey Tracey St John with Heathfield.
21. Pray for the work of all the churches in the Archdeaconry of Totnes, for the Archdeacon Douglas Dettmer and for his PA Chris Braithwaite.



CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 22nd – Mon 30th April

This week pray for all those who lead worship in your churches and for all those who work so hard to ensure we have wonderful buildings to meet in.

22. For the Appledore, Northam, and Westward Ho! Mission Community, their clergy Derek Arnold, David Carrington, Readers Anne Foster, Nigel Price and for all who live and worship in Westward Ho!, Northam and Appledore.
23. On the feast day of St George we pray: God of hosts, who so kindled the flame of love in the heart of your servant George that he bore witness to the risen Lord by his life and by his death: give us the same faith and power of love that we who rejoice in his triumphs may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection; 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.
24. In our link with Melanesia we are asked to pray for the Most Revd George Takeli Archbishop of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia. Today the seven Martyrs of the Melanesian Brotherhood are also remembered.
25. On the feast day of St Mark we pray: Almighty God, who enlightened your holy Church through the inspired witness of your evangelist Saint Mark: grant that we, being firmly grounded in the truth of the gospel, may be faithful to its teaching both in word and deed; 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.
26. For the Ashburton & Moorland Mission Community, their clergy Geoffrey Fenton, Reader Marion Kaye and for all who live and worship in Widecombe in the Moor, Leusdon, Holne and Ashburton with Buckland in the Moor and Bickington.
27. Pray for all diocesan staff as they work to support all our clergy and other work that goes in our churches all around the diocese.
28. Give thanks for the work of Martin Follett, who is retiring after many years as diocesan registrar. Today many farewells are taking place.
29. Pray for all those being confirmed in a special service today at St Mary's, Bideford.
30. Pray for all the work going on to fill the vacancy for the Bishop of Crediton.

