

Prayers

DEVON

Tue 1st – Sat 5th May

1. For the Braunton Mission Community, their priest Anne Thorne, Reader David Rushworth and for all who live and worship in Braunton.
2. For the Brixham Mission Community, their clergy Ian Blyde, John Gay, Angela Sumner, Readers Wendy Emlyn, Susan Shaw and for all who live and worship in Lower Brixham, All Saints, Kingswear, Churston Ferrers and Brixham St Mary.
3. Pray for all those involved and attending the special service led by Bishop Robert to celebrate the 700th anniversary of the dedication of St Andrew's Church in Ipplepen.
4. In our link with Thika we are asked to pray for the Namrata Shah Children's Home: for the manager Jedidah and the children who come to the home from very difficult situations. Please pray also for the older children boarding at secondary schools and those who have gone onto further education or are looking for employment.
5. Pray for all those living and worshipping in Sidmouth and especially for the Friends of Sidmouth Church as they mark their diamond anniversary with a special service of celebration.

Sun 6th – Sat 12th May

6. On Rogation Sunday we pray: On this Sunday when we remember especially the countryside and all who work there, we pray for farmers, growers, all who tend the livestock and all, who by their labour here and in every place, bring food to us. Bless their endeavours, and their crops. May we value their work and not merely seek cheap food at their cost.
7. On this Bank Holiday we pray for rest, relaxation and refreshment for all who are able to take time out. That it may be a time to refocus and recharge.
8. Pray for all those leading and attending the Safeguarding Training today in Plymouth, 15th in Exeter, 16th in Barnstaple, 17th in Totnes and 22nd in Exeter.
9. For the Buckland Monachorum Mission Community, their clergy Graham Cotter, Andrew Farmer, Readers Pippa Brown, Paul Nixon, Mark Smith and for all who live and worship in Buckland Monachorum.
10. As we celebrate Ascension Day today we pray:

This week pray for farmers and all who make a living working on the land in Devon.

Help us bring ourselves and the questions we have about the timing and direction of our lives to Jesus. Pray for the Archbishops' Thy Kingdom Come initiative: <http://exeter.anglican.org/christian-faith/tkc/>

11. Pray for our Higher Education chaplains and particularly Gordon Snook and team working at City College, Plymouth.
12. Pray for Bishop Sarah's installation today as Bishop of London and for the Upload youth event in the Cathedral. For all those leading and performing and for the young people.



Sun 13th – Sat 19th May

In Christian Aid week pray for the work of the charity as it works at grass roots level with some of the poorest people on the planet.

13. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf we pray for the Katafyio retreat house in Cyprus; for the running of group and individually guided retreats in the diocese and province and the giving of spiritual direction, especially for the ministry of Maggie LeRoy.
14. Pray for all retired clergy as they meet together today and for the meeting of Bishop's Diocesan Council tonight in Exeter. For clear vision and good listening to the direction of the Holy Spirit.
15. Pray for all our hospital chaplains and in particular for the work of co-ordinating chaplain Julie Cartwright at Barnstaple Hospital.
16. For the Central Exeter Mission Community, their priest Sheila Swarbrick and for all who live and worship in Central Exeter.
17. For the Chudleigh Mission Community, their clergy Paul Wimsett, Martin Fletcher, Readers Helen Harding, Arnold Cade, Sheila Fletcher and for all who live and worship in Trusham, Chudleigh Knighton and Chudleigh.
18. For the Churches 4 All Mission Community, their clergy Chris Martin, Marc Kerslake and for all who live and worship in Whimple, Talaton, Clyst St Lawrence and Clyst Hydon.
19. Pray for the work of all the churches in the Archdeaconry of Exeter, for the Archdeacon Christopher Futcher and for his PA Peter Colebrook.

“When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.” Acts 2:1-4

Sun 20th – Sat 26th May

This week pray for the Holy Spirit to come and be truly active in our communities in Devon. Come Holy Spirit...

20. Pray for the event in Exeter Cathedral for Thy Kingdom Come today. For the life-giving Holy Spirit to be poured into the lives of all so that they can truly know God, the lover of their souls.
21. For the Clyst Mission Community, their priest Bernard Lane, Reader Sandra Parker and for all who live and worship in Sowton, Rockbeare, Pinhoe, Clyst Honiton and Broadclyst.
22. In our link with Melanesia we are asked to pray for the Diocese of Central Solomons and for its Bishop, Rt Rev Ben Seka. We also pray for the 17,000 Mothers' Union members in Melanesia and their programmes on literacy and positive parenting, their outreach work and their savings clubs.
23. For the Coast & Combe Mission Community, their clergy Michael Rogers, John Roles, Giles King-Smith, Murray Aldridge-Collins, Bill Cole, Reader Sally-Ann Molligoda and for all who live and worship in Woolacombe, Morteohoe, Lee, Ilfracombe, Combe Martin, Bittadon and Berryarbor.
24. For the Coast and Country Mission Community, their clergy Alison Shaw and for all who live and worship in Strete, Stoke Fleming, East Allington and Blackawton.
25. For the Crediton Mission Community, their clergy Helen Drever, Paul Fillery, Reader Carol Price and for all who live and worship in Shobrooke, Sandford with Upton Hellions and Crediton.
26. Pray for diocesan staff in the Old Deanery in Exeter as they work to support clergy and the work of our churches throughout the diocese.



CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 27th – Thur 31st May

This week as we think about God as Trinity, help us to remember that God is always in community and to recommit ourselves to the communities in which we live and are involved in.

27. On Trinity Sunday we pray: Father, you sent your Word to bring us truth and your Spirit to make us holy. Through them we come to know the mystery of your life. Help us to worship you, one God in three Persons, by proclaiming and living our faith in you.
28. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we pray for the Centre of Theological learning among clergy and lay people. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Caen.
29. For the Cullompton Mission Community, their clergy Edward Hobbs, Olly Mears, Russell Morgan, Readers Celia Fox, Katharyn Mumby, Simon Friend and for all who live and worship in Cullompton.
30. For the Culm Valley Mission Community, their clergy Simon Talbot, Mike North, Reader Chris Russell and for all who live and worship in Willand, Uffculme and Kentisbeare.
31. For the Dart Valley Mission Community, their clergy Tom Benson, Fiona Wimsett, Readers John Vinton, David Harwood, Jenny Holton and for all who live and worship in Staverton with Landscope, Littlehempston, Dean Prior and Buckfastleigh.

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