

Sunday 23th – Monday 31st

As the Whitsun bank holiday and school half-term approaches, we pray that families and individuals will be able to take advantage of the latest easing of coronavirus restrictions and that cases will stay low. We pray for businesses in Devon that rely on tourism. We thank you that we live in a beautiful place, help us to share it gracefully with visitors.

23. The Bible says, "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place" (Acts 2 2:1-2). Lord, we have learned over the last year that gathering together is precious. Please bless and protect anyone gathering together today.

24. For the Modbury Mission Community, their clergy Matt Rowland, and for all who live and worship in Ringmore, Modbury, Kingston, Bigbury, and Aveton Gifford.

25. In our connection with Bayeux-Lisieux, we pray for the Basilica at Lisieux, its staff and pilgrims; for all its work in promoting St Therese. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Lisieux.

26. For the Netherexe Parishes Mission Community, their clergy Julia Hocking, Julia Dallen, reader Laura Ford, and for all who live and worship in Upton Pyne, Thorverton, Stoke Canon with Huxham, Rewe with Nether Exe, Poltimore, Newton St Cyres, Cadbury, and Bramford Speke.

27. For the Newton Abbot Mission Community, their clergy Patrick Parkes, Nick Debney, Gareth Regan, Ben Maynard, reader Keith Butler, and for all who live and worship in Newton Abbot and Ogwell, Milber.

28. On Amnesty International Day we pray that the light and hope the organisation brings in its mission to fight for human rights, continues. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalm 119:105

29. For the North Kenn Team Mission Community, their clergy Martin Wood, and for all who live and worship in Whitestone with Oldridge, Tedburn St Mary, Holcombe Burnell, and Cheriton Bishop.

30. For the North Taw Mission Community, their clergy Michael Newbon, Caroline Raby, and for all who live and worship in West Down, Marwood, Heanton Punchardon, and Georgeham.

31. Lord, watch over us and love us as the Father, we thank you for the Son who saved us from our sins and we pray for the Holy Spirit to be with us always in all that we do.

Amen.

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MAY PRAYER DIARY

Dear Lord, as coronavirus restrictions continue to ease, help us to love our neighbours as ourselves. We pray for long-awaited life events like weddings and baptisms and for those still separated from loved ones. Please strengthen those caring for others, either professionally or privately. We thank you that your love is never restricted.

Saturday 1st – Saturday 8th

We pray for the continuing roll-out of coronavirus vaccines across the world. Thank you for initiatives like Vaccinaid, which enable us to help pay for vaccines in developing countries. We pray for charities like Tearfund and the Red Cross, which are working hard to support the coronavirus response abroad.

1. For the Forder Valley Mission Community, their clergy Chris Routledge, Ann Hosking, Keith Murphy, and for all who live and worship in Egguckland with Estover.

2. For the Four Ways Mission Community, their priest Shaun O'Rourke, and for all who live and worship in West Buckland, Swimbridge, Landkey, and East Buckland.

3. For the Goodrington Mission Community, their clergy Gary Deighton, Gerda van Ommeren, and for all who live and worship in Goodrington, and Collaton St Mary.

4. For the Haldon Mission Community, their clergy Jane Frost and Sue Astbury, their reader Richard Frost, and for all who live and worship in Teignmouth West, Teignmouth East, Ideford with Luton, Bishopsteignton, and Ashcombe.

5. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, we pray for God's continuing help and guidance in the building and growth of Christ's ministry at St.John's in Deryneia.

6. For the Hartland Team Mission Community, their clergy Jane Skinner, Madeline Bray, Jane Hayes, and for all who live and worship in Woolfardisworthy West, Welcombe, Parkham, Lundy, Hartland, Clovelly, Bucks Mills, Buckland Brewer, and Alwington.

7. For the Heavitree Mission Community, their clergy Jolyon Seward, Alexander Hobbs, Andrew Johnson, and for all who live and worship in Saint Mary Steps, and Heavitree with St Paul Exeter.

8. On World Red Cross Day we pray that the charity has success in continuing to provide material aid and support to areas in humanitarian crisis.

Sunday 9th – Saturday 15th

Pray for all the events and services happening this Christian Aid Week, face-to-face and online. Pray that they will create a sense of connection and joy for churches and communities here in the UK and across the world. Thank you for all the local fundraisers who have had to find new creative ways of collecting for Christian Aid.

- 9. For the Holsworthy Mission Community, their clergy Stephen Skinner, Richard Freeman, Elizabeth Burke, and for all who live and worship in Highampton, Ashwater, Beaworthy, Black Torrington, Bradford with Cookbury, Bradworthy, Bridgerule, Bulkworthy, Abbots Bickington, Halwill, Thornbury, Hollacombe, Holsworthy, Milton Damerel, Putford, Pyworthy with Pancrasweek, Sutcombe, Tetcott with Luffincott, and Clawton.
- 10. For the Holyford Mission Community, their priest Steve Martin, their reader Emma Laughton, and for all who live and worship in Southleigh, Musbury, Colyton, and Branscombe.
- 11. In our link with the Diocese of Melanesia, we pray for the work of the Franciscan Brothers petitioning the UN and the Solomon Islands Government on the human rights and environmental implications of unregulated, illegal and unsustainable logging. Lord, grant us your grace that we may all exercise wise stewardship of this Earth, tread lightly upon it, and cherish its resources.

- 12. For the Honiton Mission Community, their priest Sue Roberts, their reader Julia Barrett, and for all who live and worship in Honiton with Monkton, Gittisham, Combe Raleigh, Buckerell, and Awliscombe.
- 13. On Ascension Day, we give thanks for Jesus' ascending to join his Father God in eternal glory. We pray for faith and inspired hearts to serve others in the strength of the assurance that Jesus is always with us.
- 14. For the Hukeley Mission Community, their priest Kevin Chandra, reader Francombe, and for all who live and worship in Petton, Morebath, Huntsham, Clayhanger, and Bampton.
- 15. For the Kingsbridge Estuary Churches Mission Community Mission Community, their clergy Jackie Taylor, Matthew Gorton, their reader Amanda Sarjeant, and for all who live and worship in West Alvington, Kingsbridge, and Dodbrooke.

Sunday 16th – Saturday 22nd

During Thy Kingdom Come week, as Jesus taught his disciples to pray for your Kingdom to come, help us to pray for your Kingdom too. Please bring to mind the names of five people we care about who do not yet know you. Help us to pray for them every day this week.

- 16. In our connection with the Diocese of Thika, Kenya, we pray for Namrata Shah Children's Home, for Lucy the manager and the children who have come from desperate situations into a home where they will be loved and cared for. Also, for the older children boarding at secondary schools and those who have gone into further education or are looking for employment.
- 17. For the Kingsteignton Mission Community, their clergy Mark Smith and Sandra Gill, and for all who live and worship in Teigngrace, and Kingsteignton.
- 18. For the Little Dart Team Mission Community, their clergy Tony Rockey, Adrian Wells, Janet May, reader Christine Chandler, and for all who live and worship in Witheridge with Creacombe, West Worlington, Wembworthy with Eggesford, Thelbridge, Romansleigh, Meshaw, East Worlington, Chulmleigh, Cheldon, Chawleigh, and Burrington.

- 19. For the Littleham cum Exmouth with Lypmstone Mission Community, their clergy Steve Jones, Benedict Cambridge, readers Demelza Henderson, Elizabeth Burren, and for all who live and worship in Lypmstone, and Littleham Cum Exmouth.
- 20. For the Lyn Valley Mission Community, their clergy Samantha Stayte, and for all who live and worship in Trentishoe, Parracombe, Martinhoe, Lynton, Countisbury, and Brendon.
- 21. We pray for the Bishops and Archdeacons of Devon. We pray that the Lord will give them continued strength and guidance in their commitment to their churches and communities and that they receive the support they need to carry out their duties.
- 22. For the Malborough Mission Community, their clergy Daniel French and Christian Hill, and for all who live and worship in Salcombe and Malborough with South Huish.

