



JULY PRAYER DIARY

Reflecting on the words of Psalm 27:14, we pray:

Lord, we pray that in seasons of waiting, we would know that you are still working for our good. Help us to be patient, and we pray that you would fill us with your strength. We trust in you and your timing.

We encourage you to reflect on this passage throughout this month and use it to guide your prayer time.

Wednesday 1st – Saturday 4th

This week, as we mark National Bereaved Parents Day (3rd July), we pray for all those who have lost children. Lord, we thank you that you are near to those who are in pain, that you yourself are 'acquainted with grief', and that one day you will wipe away every tear. Help us weep with those who weep and point them towards your love.

1. For the churches of the Tiverton Mission Community, their clergy Andy Humm, Christian Hill, Miriam Brandon-Wheeler, Sue Roberts, LLM Jude Taylor, and for all who live and worship in Tiverton, Saint George and Saint Paul, Tiverton St Andrew, Saint Peter Tiverton, and Chevithorne with Cove.

2. For the churches of the Topsham Mission Community, their priest Louise Grace, and for all who live and worship in Wear and Topsham.

3. On the Feast Day of Thomas the Apostle, we remember his doubt upon hearing of Jesus' resurrection. We pray that we would be filled with faith and confidence to proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, believing even when we haven't seen.

4. For the churches of the Torquay Central Mission Community, their clergy Peter March, Sam Leach, Jules Johnston, Sharon Hiley, LLMs Jude Fortune, Rose Butt, Edwina Corderoy, and for all who live and worship in Torquay St Luke, Torquay St John, Saint Mary Magdalene Torquay, and All Saints Torre. For pupils, teachers and staff at Torre CofE Academy.

Sunday 5th – Saturday 11th

During summer we reflect on this season of abundance and give thanks for the abundant gifts God has given us. 'God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

5. For the churches of the Torquay West Mission Community, their clergy Samantha Stayte, Paul Ireton, LLM Vicki Osborne, and for all who live and worship in Shipway Collaton, and Cockington.

6. For the churches of the Torridge Mission Community, their clergy Martin Warren, LLM Jon Berry, and for all who live and worship in Sheepwash, Shebbear, Petrockstowe, Petersmarland, Newton St Petrock, Merton, Langtree, Huish, and Buckland Filleigh. For pupils, teachers and staff at the Clinton CofE School.

7. In our link with Thika, we pray for the Namrata Shah Children's home where children come from desperate situations into a home where they will be loved and cared for. We ask for your provision as they seek to raise vital funds.

8. For the churches of the Torridge (Coastal) Mission Community, their clergy Hilary Kemp, Robin Pirrie, LLMs Jonathan Ellis, Nigel Price, and for all who live and worship in Westward Ho!, Northam, Appledore, and Abbotsham. For pupils, teachers and staff at St Margaret's CofE School, St George's CofE School and St Helen's CofE School.

9. For the churches of the Torridge and Taw Mission Community, their clergy Chris Painter, James Moore, LLM Graham Prosser, and for all who live and worship in Westleigh, Instow, and Fremington.

10. For the churches of the Torrington Mission Community, their clergy Steve Turner, and for all who live and worship in Little Torrington, Great Torrington, and Frithelstock. For pupils, teachers and staff at Great Torrington Bluecoat CofE School.

11. On World Population Day, we give thanks that you know and love each of the 8 billion people on this planet, we pray that all would know their creator. We recognise the great need in the world, empower us to be your witnesses to the ends of the earth.

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Sunday 12th – Saturday 18th

As Graduations take place this week at universities in Devon, we pray for all graduates, for those staying in Devon, and those moving on, that whatever their results they would know they are loved and valued by you, God. As they step into this next season of life, may they know you are near.

12. On Rural Mission Sunday, we give thanks for our rural churches across Devon. We give thanks for their mission and ministry, and pray that you would help it to grow and flourish.

13. For the churches of the Totnes Mission Community, their clergy Jim Barlow, Chris Harris, Chris Martin, Fiona Wimsett, Jane Frost, Frances French, Sebastian Mattapally, Sarah Prime, LLMs Alan Hill, Paul Truby, Richard Frost, Elizabeth Waterson, Alison Fisher, Jonathan Drummond-Smith, and for all who live and worship in Totnes with Bridgetown, Stoke Gabriel, Marldon, Harberton, Dartington, Cornworthy, Berry Pomeroy, and Ashprington. For pupils, teachers and staff at Marldon CofE School, Totnes St Johns School, Dartington CofE School and Berry Pomeroy CofE School.

14. For the churches of the Trinity Mission Community, their priest Jonny Elvin and for all who live and worship in Holy Trinity Exeter. For pupils, teachers and staff at Trinity CofE School.

15. For the churches of the Two Rivers Mission Community, their clergy Gary Owen, Tracey Doyle, Julia Halpin, LLMs David Halpin, Carol Wyatt, Tim Overton and for all who live and worship in Yarnscombe, Tawstock, St Giles in the Wood, Roborough, Newton Tracey

with Alverdiscott, Huntshaw, Horwood, High Bickington, Beaford, and Atherington. For pupils, teachers and staff at Holywell CofE School and High Bickington CofE School.

16. We give thanks for the gift of the Anglican Communion and for our overseas links, including our historic link with Melanesia. In a world marked by conflict, nationalism, and individualism, help us to look outward in love and unity, celebrating the richness of our global family in Christ.

17. For the churches of the Upper Culm Mission Community, their clergy Vanessa Cole, LLMs Piers Langdon, Liz Langdon, Katharyn Mumby, David Major, and for all who live and worship in Hemyock with Culm Davy, Culmstock, and Clayhidon.

18. For the churches of the West Dartmoor Mission Community, their clergy Andrew Thomas, Miranda Donne, LLM Martin Jury, and for all who live and worship in Yelverton, Walkhampton, Sheepstor, Sampford Spiney, Meavy, and Horrabridge. For pupils, teachers and staff at Meavy CofE School and Lady Modiford's CofE School.

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Sunday 19th – Saturday 25th

As schools break up for the Summer Holidays, we pray for rest for students and teachers. May time spent with family, friends, and with you God, bring restoration. We give thanks for churches running summer groups, camps and activities, and pray that you would help them to share the love of Christ with young people.

19. For the churches of the North Dartmoor Mission Community, their clergy Nick McKinnel, Helen Blaine, John Parmiter and Jacqueline Parmiter, LLW Wez Cutler, LLMs Jill Hobbs, Jeanette Wilmot, Lionel Holmes, Kay Pyne, Ros Pugsley and for all who live and worship in Chagford, Drewsteignton, Hittisleigh, Spreyton, Gidleigh with Throwleigh, South Tawton with South Zeal, Moretonhampstead, Manaton, North Bovey and Lustleigh. For pupils, teachers and staff at Chagford CofE School.

20. For the churches of the White Cross Mission Community, their clergy Lewis Eden, Maggie Stirling-Troy, LLM Christine Grist, and for all who live and worship in Woodbury with Exton, Woodbury Salterton, Farringdon, Clyst St Mary, Clyst St George, and Aylesbeare. For pupils, teachers and staff at Lady Seaward's CofE School, Woodbury Salterton CofE School and Woodbury CofE School.

21. For the churches of the Winkleigh Mission Community which are now in vacancy, and for all who live and worship in Winkleigh, Brushford, Broadwood Kelly, and Ashreigney.

22. On the Feast Day of Mary Magdalene, we remember her devotion to Jesus, remaining by the cross during his crucifixion, and being the first to see him after his resurrection. May we all live lives devoted to you, giving thanks for all you've done for us.

23. In our link with Bayeux-Lisieux, we pray for new priests and their parishes, and for seminarians. We also pray for the parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Douvesla-Delivrande.

24. For the churches of Withycombe Raleigh Mission Community, their priest Kara Maylor, and for all who live and worship in Withycombe Raleigh. For pupils, teachers and staff at Withycombe Raleigh CofE School.

25. On the Feast Day of James the Apostle, one of the first disciples called by Jesus, and the first Apostle to be martyred, we remember his life and death. May we follow you with the same faith and count the cost of being your disciples.

Sunday 26th – Friday 31st

We're praying for Christian summer festivals that will begin over the next few weeks, particularly for those attending who don't yet know Jesus. We give thanks for the volunteers at these events and for all who support the festivals and camps. We pray each person who attends would be moved by the Holy Spirit, as they celebrate the good news of the God who loves us.

26. For the churches of the Yealm and Erme Mission Community, their clergy Kim Lovell, Andy Atkins, LLM Tricia Stringer, and for all who live and worship in Yealmpton, Wembury, Revelstoke, Newton Ferrers, Holbeton, and Brixton. For pupils, teachers and staff at St Mary's CofE School in Brixham and Newton Ferrers CofE School.

27. For the churches of the Alphington Mission Community, their clergy Mike Partridge, LLMs Ruth Ramsbottom, Anthony Cummings, and for all who live and worship in Shillingford St George, Ide, and Alphington.

28. For the churches of the Ashburton & Moorland Mission Community, their clergy Phill Parker, John Bennett, Jenny Weigel, LLMs Mackenzie Robinson, Chloe Axford, William West, and for all who live and worship in Widecombe in the Moor, Leusdon, Ilsington, Holne, Ashburton with Buckland in the Moor and Bickington.

29. For the churches of the Aune Valley Mission Community, their clergy Phil Parker-Osler, LLM Nell Stamp, and for all who live and worship in Woodleigh, Thurlestone, South Milton, Loddiswell, and Churchstow. For pupils, teachers and staff at Thurlestone All Saints CofE School.

30. On International Day of Friendship, we give thanks our friends around us. We thank you for the joy they bring to our lives, and we pray that we show the fruits of the spirit in our friendships.

31. In our link with Cyprus and the Gulf, we remember the faithful clergy and lay ministers serving across the diocese during this time of uncertain peace. We pray especially for The Revd. Henry Ikediego as he begins his diaconal ministry at St. Mark's Famagusta, and for those newly selected to train for ministry.

Amen.