

## Sunday 24th – Thursday 31st

**We pray for families and individuals facing economic hardship. As schools take a half-term break, help us remember those families living with food poverty. As winter approaches, we remember those who cannot afford to heat their homes. Help us to offer what practical support we can. Help us to give generously to charities addressing social deprivation and to campaign for Government policies which put the most vulnerable first.**

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

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

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

27. We pray with our link in Bayeux-Lisieux for those in Pastoral teams, especially those preparing others to support parishes in various ministries: catechesis, tourism, taking funerals. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Pont-L'Eveque.

28. 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.

29. For the Holyford Mission Community, their priest Steve Martin, reader Emma Laughton, and for all who live and worship in Southleigh, Musbury, Colyton, Branscombe.

30. For the Honiton Mission Community, their priest Sue Roberts, reader Julia Barrett, and for all who live and worship in Honiton with Monkton, Gittisham, Combe Raleigh, Buckerell and Awliscombe.

31. For the Hukeley Mission Community, their priest Kevin Chandra, reader Nick Francombe, and for all who live and worship in Petton, Morebath, Huntsham, Clayhanger and Bampton.

# Amen.



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# OCTOBER PRAYER DIARY

**Lord, we praise you for the harvest surrounding us in fields and barns across Devon. For wheat and barley; for oil-seed rape and maize, for healthy herds, for sheep and pigs. We give thanks, Lord, for farmers and all who work in agriculture in this county.**

## Friday 1st – Saturday 9th

**Bless all the newlywed couples who have come before God and pledged their lives and hearts to each other at their wedding ceremony. Bless the Devon Church Weddings project, led by Bishop Jackie, may it be fruitful in encouraging couples to marry in church.**

1. For the Cullompton Mission Community, their clergy Edward Hobbs, Olly Mears, reader Simon Friend, and for all who live and worship in Cullompton.

2. For the Culm Valley Mission Community, their clergy Simon Talbot, Michelle Parton, Gudrun Thomas, readers Chris Russell, Katharyn Mumby, and for all who live and worship in Willand, Uffculme and Kentisbeare.

3. For the Dart and Avon Mission Community, their clergy Gina Radford, Laura McAdam, readers Pam Saunders, David Harwood, readers Pam Saunders, David Harwood, and for all who live and worship in Staverton with Landscope, South Brent, Rattery, Littlehempston, Dean Prior and Buckfastleigh.

4. The Church in Cyprus and the Gulf says, "there is a hole in diocesan finances - and it is substantial, thanks to the ongoing fallout from the Covid-19 pandemic". We pray for all those effected by the lack of funds and for Finance Director Canon John Banfield.

5. For the Dartmouth & Dittisham Mission Community, their priest Andrew Langley, and for all who live and worship in Dittisham, Dartmouth Saint Clement (Townstal).

6. For the Dawlish Coast Mission Community, their clergy Dallas Ayling, Tim Collins, and for all who live and worship in Starcross, Dawlish with Holcombe and Cofton.

7. For the Devonport Mission Community, their clergy Tim Buckley, Sue Nicholas, readers Lynda Buckley, John Wright, and for all who live and worship in Devonport St Aubyn, Devonport Saint Michael and Saint Barnabas.

8. We pray for the members of the Bishop's Diocesan Council. We thank you for the time and effort they put into implementing the strategic work of the diocese and for their wise oversight.

9. For the Dunkeswell Mission Community, their clergy Jane Penn, John Hayhoe, and for all who live and worship in Uppottery, Sheldon, Plymtree, Luppitt, Dunkeswell and Broadhembury.



## Sunday 10th – Saturday 16th

Dear Lord, we thank you for all the new and returning members of our Diocesan Synod as they meet together for the first time this month. Please give them the wisdom, grace and boldness to work together so “Your will be done” in Devon.

10. On World Mental Health Day we ask you, Lord, to comfort and relieve those challenged by serious and chronic mental and emotional illnesses.

11. For the East Clyst Churches Mission Community, their priest Marc Kerslake, and for all who live and worship in Whimple, Talaton, Sowton, Rockbeare, Clyst St Lawrence, Clyst Hydon, Clyst Honiton and Broadclyst.

12. For the East Exeter Mission Community, their clergy Tanya Hockley-Still, Tatty Wilson, and for all who live and worship in Whipton Saint Boniface and Saint Mark Exeter.

13. For the Edgemoor Mission Community, their clergy Alastair Forman, Alison Rogers, Penny Lawson, reader Richard Holloway, and for all who live and worship in West Anstey, Rose Ash, North Molton with Twitchen, Molland, Mariansleigh, Knowstone, High Bray, East Anstey, Charles and Bishopsnympton.

14. For the Elburton Mission Community, their priest James Croucher, reader Linda Dodwell, and for all who live and worship in Elburton.

15. In our connection with the Diocese of Thika we give thanks for the churches which have been transformed through the ‘Umoja’ Church and Community Development Process. We also pray for Benson, the Umoja trainer, and the clergy and lay facilitators who will enable more churches across the diocese to start on this journey to sustainable development.

16. For the Exe Valley Mission Community, their priest Steph Gordon-Jeffs, and for all who live and worship in Withleigh, Washfield, Templeton, Stoodleigh, Rackenford, Oakford, Loxbeare, Cruwys Morchard and Calverleigh.

## Sunday 17th – Saturday 23rd

Psalm 147:9 tells us that God is concerned for all His creation, including the animals He created. We can take from Scripture that if God takes care of animals, so should we. In fact, it is God’s care for animals that most fully explains our desire to have pets. We lift up all the animal rescue charities in Devon and pray for the rise in animal abuse over the last year to reverse.

17. For the Exeter Network Church Mission Community, their priest Jon Soper.

18. For the Five Alive East Devon Mission Community, readers Anna Crabbe, Gill Heighway, and for all who live and worship in Yarcombe, Stockland, Shute, Kilmington and Dalwood.

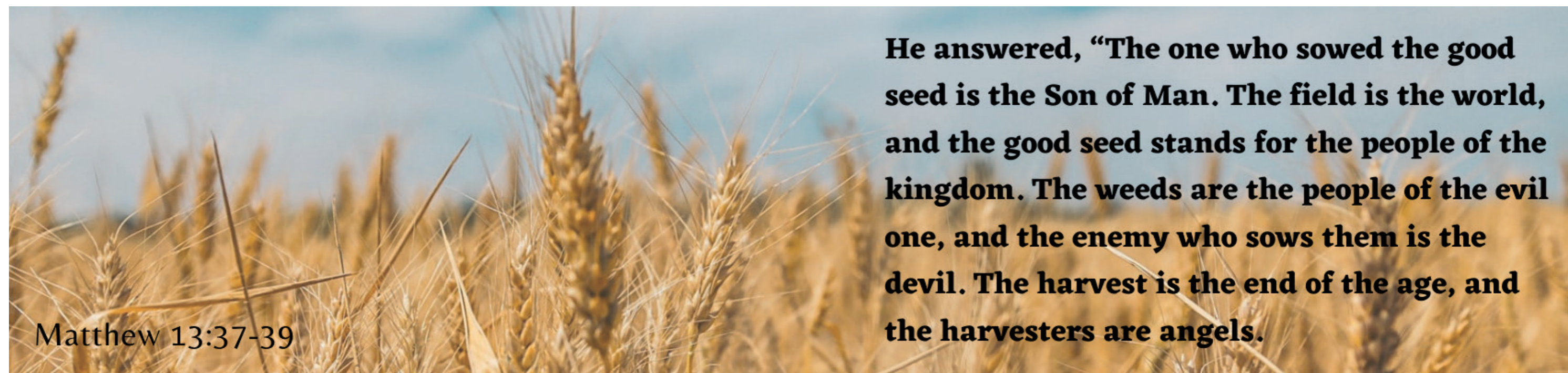
19. For the Five Red Churches Mission Community, their clergy John Williams, and for all who live and worship in Powderham, Kenton with Mamhead, Kenn and Exminster.

20. We pray for the Diocese of Ysabel in the Anglican Province of Melanesia, for the Diocesan Bishop, the Rt Revd Ellison Quity and all the diocesan staff at Jejevo, Buala. We give thanks that the Mothers’ Union was first introduced to this diocese by Mrs Emily Spratt in 1924.

21. 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.

22. For the Four Ways Mission Community, their priest Shaun O’Rourke, reader Josie Foster, and for all who live and worship in West Buckland, Swimbridge, Landkey and East Buckland.

23. 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.



**He answered, “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.”**

Matthew 13:37-39