

## Sunday 18th – Friday 31st

**At this time to be with our loved ones we remember those missing around our table and we find comfort in your Holy Spirit and the eternal life you provide.**

19. Cyprus has the most asylum-seekers per capita of European nations. In our link with the Diocese in Cyprus and the Gulf we pray for church ministry among asylum-seekers and refugees.

20. For the Saint Matthias Mission Community, its clergy John Beckett, Paul Barton, Pete Norris, readers Lindsay Glazebrook, Ruth Beckett, and for all who live and worship in the parish of Saint Matthias, Saint Mark and Holy Trinity, Torquay.

21. For the Saint Pancras Mission Community, their clergy Lawrence Braschi, Sarah Sharland, Phillip Baul, reader Paul Lumb, and for all who live and worship in Saint Pancras Pennycross.

22. For the Saint Peter and the Holy Apostles Mission Community, its clergy David Way, David Watson, and for all who live and worship in Plymouth St Peter and the Holy Apostles.

23. For the Sampford Peverell Mission Community, its priest Glyn Lewry, reader Mandy Lewry, and for all who live and worship in Uplowman, Sampford Peverell, Holcombe Rogus, Hockworthy, Halberton, Burlescombe.

24. For the Seaton and Beer Coastal Mission Community, during its clergy vacancy we remember the local clergy Simon Hitchcock and Alison Finch, and for all who live and worship in Seaton, Beer.

25. Holy Jesus, this Christmas Eve we remember that, by being born one of us, and lying humbly in a manger, you showed how much God loves the world. Let the light of your love always shine in our hearts.

26. In our link with Melanesia, we pray for the Brothers and Sisters from the four Anglican religious orders as they go out by ship on their Christmas missions across Melanesia. May their journeys be calm and may their missions be joyful and fruitful.

27. For the Sherford Community Church Mission Community, its priest Tom Brassil and their reader Andrew Williams.

28. For the Shirwell Mission Community, its clergy Rosie Austin, Martin Tyrrell, and for all who live and worship in Shirwell, Loxhore, Kentisbury, East Down with Arlington, Challacombe, Bratton Fleming with Stoke Rivers.

29. For the Sid Valley Mission Community, its clergy David Caporn, Kim Mathers, Matthew Selman, Laura Selman, Nigel Candelent, readers John Dunster, Carolyn Croft, and for all who live and worship in Woolbrook, Sidmouth, Sidbury with Sidford, Salcombe Regis, All Saints Sidmouth.

30. Today we give thanks for our PCC secretaries and treasurers. We thank you God for their commitment to the local church and we pray that you will bless them with strength and wisdom as they carry out this important work.

31. A new year brings new goals, new challengers ahead and new hope. Lord, we pray that you will help us be charitable, generous, and full of your spirit in 2022 as we love our neighbours and spread your word.



# DECEMBER PRAYER DIARY

**Christ born for us,  
Son of God, given for us,  
help us to know you,  
to worship and to serve you.**

**The kings, Lord,  
brought myrrh, frankincense, and gold.  
Lord, we have nothing of our own to bring;  
we bring you what you have given:  
our lives for your life.**

**Jesus, Saviour, son of Mary,  
you know us and love us,  
you share our lives  
and hear our prayer.  
Glory to you for ever.**

**May God, who has called us out of darkness  
into his marvellous light,  
bless us and fill us with peace.**

## Wednesday 1st – Saturday 4th

**We pray that Devon charities will have the resources they require to help those in need this winter. Help us to be generous with what we have.**

1. For the Plymouth Emmanuel Mission Community, its clergy Karl Freeman, Tony Williams, Bev Cree, Darryl Cree, Robin Brown, and for all who live and worship in Emmanuel with Saint Paul.

2. For the Plympton Mission Community, its clergy Robert Harris, Richard Wakerell, reader Robert Harrison, and for all who live and worship in Plympton St Maurice, Plympton St Mary.

3. On this United Nations' International Day of Persons with Disabilities, we pray that all people

with any form of disability know your love and know their value as children of Christ. We pray for increased understanding and the reduction of stigma in our communities.

4. Lord, you gave us the Earth to cherish and steward, yet species are endangered and habitats are threatened. On this World Wildlife Conservation Day, we pray for those dedicating their lives to the preservation of creatures great and small and ask ourselves what more we can do to help.

# Amen.

**DIOCESE  
OF EXETER**  
THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND  
IN DEVON



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## Sunday 5th – Saturday 11th

**As Christmas approaches, we remember the reason for the season, that in His love and mercy God sent his son Jesus Christ to be the Saviour of the world. Lord, help us keep our hearts and minds fixed on you this Christmas.**

5. In our link with Bayeux-Lisieux we pray with members of religious orders in the diocese; for an increase in the number of people who feel called to religious life and to ordained ministry. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Vire.

6. For the Plymstock Mission Community, its clergy Jennie Appleby, Carl Budden, reader Graham Dee, and for all who live and worship in Plymstock and Hooe.

7. For the Raleigh Mission Community, its clergy Martin Jacques, and for all who live and worship in Otterton, East Budleigh with Bicton, Budleigh Salterton.

8. For the Saint Andrew & Saint Paul Mission Community, its clergy Joe Dent, Leon Sim, Philip Cairns, Tim Partridge, and for all who live and worship in Saint Paul Stonehouse, Saint Andrew Plymouth.

9. For the Saint Bartholomew with Saint Mark's Mission Community, its priest Richard Silk, and for all who live and worship in Devonport Saint Bartholomew and Saint Mark. For the BMO at St Mark's Ford, their priest Jonathan Deveraux, lay worker Margaret Warne and for all who live and worship in St Mark's Ford.

10. On International Human Rights Day, we pray that by sharing the good things of the earth, may we secure justice and equality for every human being, an end to all division, and a human society built on love and peace.

11. This day marks 75 years since the founding of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). We thank you, Lord, for your grace in providing volunteers, donations and charity over the decades which has seen support and aid given to nations in need, changing the lives of millions of young people.

## Sunday 12th – Saturday 18th

**We pray for all those who might attend a church service or outreach event this Advent and Christmas. We pray that, not only will they feel welcome, but they will also encounter your love for them.**

12. For the Saint Boniface, Saint Budeaux and Saint Philip Mission Community, its clergy Stephen Beach, Michael Doyle, reader Martin Clements, and for all who live and worship in Saint Philip, Weston Mill, Saint Budeaux, Saint Boniface and Devonport.

13. For the Saint David Mission Community, its clergy Nigel Guthrie, Belinda Speed-Andrews, Ash Leighton Plom, readers Charlotte Townsend, Howard Friend, and for all who live and worship in Saint David in Exeter.

14. In our link with the Diocese of Thika in Kenya, we pray for The Cathedral Archdeaconry, Archdeacon Joyce Kabuba, the clergy and people. Thika's linked parishes of Kiganjo East, Happy Valley, Juja, Kenyatta Road and Makongeni. The seven parishes where 'Umoja' Church and Community Development Process is enabling sustainable development, also, the

parishes in the very dry areas which struggle to maintain any kind of progress.

15. For the Saint James Mission Community, its clergy Henry Pryse, Steve Turner, Martin Poolton, reader Joan Ridgeway, and for all who live and worship in Saint James.

16. For the Saint Jude Mission Community, its priest Tim Smith, and for all who live and worship in Saint Jude Plymouth.

17. As children finish school for the Christmas holidays, we pray for peace and rest for them and the chance to enjoy Christmas festivities in a way that was not possible last year.

18. For the Saint Leonard Mission Community, its clergy Simon Austen, Chris Keane, Paul Sutton, and for all who live and worship in Saint Leonard with Holy Trinity.

*And the effect of righteousness  
will be peace, and the result of  
righteousness, quietness and  
trust forever.*

Isaiah 32:17