

Sunday 20th – Thursday 31st

Dear Lord, we thank you for your invitation to ‘not to worry’. Help us as we navigate our way through our life and its up and downs and fill us with your Spirit who will lead us in all wisdom.

20. For the Coast and Country Mission Community, its priest Alison Shaw, and for all who live and worship in Strete, Stoke Fleming, East Allington and Blackawton.

21. For the Crediton Mission Community, its clergy Matthew Tregenza, Janet May, Lewis Scott Eden, LLMs Carol Price, Sandra Collier, and for all who live and worship in Shobrooke, Sandford with Upton Hellions and Crediton.

22. For the Cullompton Mission Community, its clergy Edward Hobbs, Marilyn Sanders, LLM Simon Friend, and for all who live and worship in Cullompton.

23. On our second year of the Covid-19 National Day of Reflection we pray for those who are in mourning and all clergy and LLMs who have led so many funerals for Coronavirus victims. We pray for the comfort of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

24. On The Feast of the Annunciation we pray that, just as Mary was told of her purpose, we too will know how to use our gifts to see His kingdom come.

25. As millions around the world turn off their appliances and lights for Earth Hour (8.30pm-9.30pm) we reflect on the light that Jesus brings to the world and how we better can steward the Earth. We also lift up those struggling to pay their energy bills.

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

27. On Mothering Sunday, we thank you for family life. Thank you for mothers, for their love, guidance and care. Help them to know how loved and appreciated they are. We also pray for mothers who are feeling weary, and we lift up to you those who have lost their mother or are longing to be a mother.

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

29. We pray for the Sisters of Melanesia. Fill them with your Spirit, wisdom, love and power. May they serve you without fear, shame or doubt.

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

31. We pray for our PTO's and all of our Deanery Lay chairs: we ask that you give them continual strength to fulfil the roles that you have encouraged them to undertake through discernment and prayerful reflection; we pray that their ministries and local responsibilities are under pinned by your grace and loving wisdom.

Amen.

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MARCH PRAYER DIARY

The month and week prayers below come from the Surprised by Generosity Lent Course

**Dear Lord,
We thank you for the generous gift of your Son Jesus Christ,
who came to live among us and died for us.
Thank you for your generosity that speaks to us every day.
Help us, as we step into your footprint to be(come) generous
too, so the world might see your love through us.
Amen.**

Tuesday 1st – Saturday 5th

Dear Lord, we thank you for your provision to us, each and every day. We pray that we may be the ones sharing this with those around this and count it a privilege to do so.

1. As we celebrate Shrove Tuesday, or pancake day, may we be thankful for the food we have and mindful of those who are hungry. Give us courage to stick to our promises and strength to develop new habits as we come closer to you during this period of Lent in preparation for Easter.

2. Heavenly Father, for Ash Wednesday we confess our sins and say sorry for the things we have done we should not have done and the things that we did not do that we should have done. The cross of ash that some will mark on their foreheads today reminds us that we need your salvation as we begin Lent.

3. On World Book Day we pray for children in Devon to know the joy of reading and being read to. Thank you for schools, literacy charities and libraries which work with children to provide books and inspire their imaginations.

4. On this World Day of Prayer, we join our prayers with others around the globe who will be doing the same. Thank you that where two or three gather in your name, you are there. We also pray that the Diocese Life Events conference today and tomorrow will be a springboard for building new relationships through baptisms, weddings and funerals.

5. In our link with Bayeux-Lisieux we pray for the Vicar-General Pere Laurent Lair, in his work to support the Bishop, and for the Bishop's Council.



Sunday 6th – Saturday 12th

Dear Lord, thank you for your goodness to us. Thank you for your guidance for us, as we learn to pray and remember your gift to us.

6. For the Beacon Parishes Mission Community, its priest Andrew Down, LLM Hillarie Griggs, and for all who live and worship in Woodland, Ipplepen with Torbryan, Denbury and Broadhempston.

7. For the Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston Mission Community, its priest Nick Law, and for all who live and worship in Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston.

8. In our link with Cyprus and the Gulf we say a prayer for The Archdeacon of the Gulf, The Venerable Bill Schwartz as he prepares to retire in April.

9. For the Bideford and the Four Villages Mission Community, its clergy Claire Rose-Casemore, Marisa Cockfield, Kevin Beer, Christopher Hutchins, Robin Pirrie, LLM Sarah Cordingley, and for all who live and worship in Weare Giffard, Monkleigh, Littleham, Landcross and Bideford.

10. For the Bovey Valley Mission Community, its priest Graham Hamilton, LLM Carolyn Laycock, and for all who live and worship in Ilsington, Hennock, Bovey Tracey St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury and Bovey Tracey St John with Heathfield.

11. On International Women's Day we pray for a gender equal world where difference is not discriminated against but is valued and celebrated. A world free of prejudice and discrimination and violence against women. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ.

12. For the Devon Church Weddings volunteer team at Westpoint Wedding Fair this weekend hoping to reach out to engaged couples and inspire them to have a church wedding and build their lives in the local church community.

Sunday 13th – Saturday 19th

Dear Lord, please reveal to us when there are things in our lives that are holding us back in our call to follow you and your ways.

13. For the Braunton Mission Community, its priest David Baker, and for all who live and worship in Braunton.

14. In our link with the Diocese of Thika we pray for The Venerable Joseph Wanyoike of Ruiru Archdeaconry, his clergy and people in this rapidly growing area on the outskirts of Nairobi. We pray for the parish of Ruiru and Highlands parish which has started 'Umoja' Church and Community Development Process.

15. For the Brixham Mission Community, its clergy Stephen Yates, John Gay, Angela Sumner, LLMs Hilary Hyde, Elaine Vestey, Wendy Emlyn, and for all who live and worship in Lower Brixham, All Saints, Kingswear, Churston Ferrers and Brixham St Mary.

16. For the Buckland Monachorum Mission Community, its clergy Andy Bowden, Andrew Farmer, LLMs Paul Nixon, Angela Smith, Mark Smith, and for all who live and worship in Buckland Monachorum.

17. For the Central Exeter Mission Community, its priest Sheila Swarbrick, and for all who live and worship in central Exeter.

18. We pray for the work of Comic Relief to help people live free of poverty, violence and discrimination. Thank you for the fun of Red Nose Day and the laughter it brings to communities. We pray we will have the courage to stand up and make a difference.

19. For the Coast & Combe Mission Community, its clergy John Roles, Giles King-Smith, Ann Lewis, for Mark Ruoff as he prepares to join them, LLMs Theresa Powell, Sally-Ann Molligoda, and for all who live and worship in Saint Sabinus, Woolacombe, Saint Matthew, Lee, Morteohoe, Ilfracombe St Philip and St James, Ilfracombe, Combe Martin, Bittadon and Berryarbor.



*Show me your
ways, Lord,
teach me your
paths.*

*Guide me in your truth
and teach me, for you
are God my Saviour,
and my hope is in you
all day long.*



Psalm 25:4-5