

Sunday 24th – Saturday 31st

During National Marine Week, we're praying for organisations and charities who work to restore our oceans and protect marine life. Lord, help us to be good stewards of the seas you created and all the living creatures with which the waters swarm. We also pray for all those who rely on the oceans for their livelihoods, may you sustain them, Lord.

24. On Samaritans Awareness Day, we give thanks for all the volunteers who give up their time to listen to those in need and we pray for those who are struggling. Would you give them the strength to reach out for help and would you help us to listen to those around us and to love our neighbours as ourselves.

25. For the Torridge (Coastal) Mission Community, its priest Roger Elks, LLMs Anne Foster, Nigel Price, and for all who live and worship in Westward Ho!, Northam, Appledore and Abbotsham.

26. In our link with Melanesia, we pray for those attending the Lambeth Conference 27th July – 8th August. We pray especially for the talks at the Conference on climate justice, a major issue in Melanesia.

27. For the Torridge 6 Ecumenical Mission Community, its priest Susan Oldham, and for all who live and worship in Monkokehampton, Iddesleigh, Dowland and Dolton.

28. For the Torridge and Taw Mission Community, its priest Marisa Cockfield, and for all who live and worship in Westleigh, Instow and Fremington.

29. For the Totnes Mission Community, its clergy Jim Barlow, Deborah Parsons, Gill Still, Christian Harris, LLM Elizabeth Waterson, and for all who live and worship in Totnes with Bridgetown, Stoke Gabriel, Marldon, Dartington with Brooking, Cornworthy, Berry Pomeroy and Ashprington.

30. On World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, we lament all the people who are being exploited and abused and who currently live in slavery. We cry out for justice and pray you would break their chains; Give us eyes to see exploitation around us.

31. For the Trinity Mission Community, its priest Jonny Elvin, and for all who live and worship in Holy Trinity Exeter.

Amen.



JULY PRAYER DIARY

Dear Lord, we thank you that you call us to be free. Help us to be led by your Holy Spirit, and not our own desires, so that love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control would be the fruit of our lives. Help us to live in peace and unity with others, serving one another in humility and loving others as ourselves. Amen.

Friday 1st – Saturday 9th

This week we're praying for marriages within our communities, that these relationships would be built on your love, patience and kindness, a picture of Christ and the church. For those struggling in their marriages, we pray they would find support, and that they can journey forward in honesty, empathy and peace.

1. For the Devon County Show, we pray for the Devon Churches Together volunteers, may they be able to share your light and love with the children and adults they meet this weekend.

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

3. The Feast Day of St Thomas the Apostle, we remember his doubt upon hearing of Jesus' resurrection and pray that we would be filled with faith and confess Christ as our Lord and saviour, believing even when we have not seen.

4. For the Silverton Mission Community, its priest Paul Kingdom, and for all who live and worship in Silverton, Cadeleigh, Butterleigh and Bickleigh.

5. On the NHS's Birthday, we give thanks for 74 years of service and pray for all medical and support staff across Devon as they continue to serve and provide care for those in need.

6. For the South Dartmoor Mission Community, its priest Paul Hinckley and Rev'd Dr. James Harding, and for all who live and worship in Sparkwell, Ivybridge, Harford and Cornwood.

7. For the South Molton Mission Community, its clergy Michael Grandey, David Coleman, LLM Deborah Bayliss, and for all who live and worship in Warkleigh with Satterleigh, South Molton with Nymet Saint George, Kingsnympton, Filleigh, Chittlehampton with Umberleigh and Chittlehamholt.

8. In our link with Bayeux-Lisieux, we're praying for new priests and their parishes, and for seminarians. We also pray for parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Douves-la-Delivrande.

9. For the Start Bay Mission Community, their clergy Mark Neave and Michael Berrett, readers Andy McMullin and Ken Ball, and for all who live and worship in Stokenham with Sherford and Beesands, South Pool, Slapton, East Portlemouth, Chivelstone, Charleton, and Buckland-Tout-Saints.

Sunday 10th – Saturday 16th

We pray for all carers as well as those who care for loved ones but may not recognise their role as a caregiver. We acknowledge the serious lack of carers at this time, and we ask for your provision. We pray that more people will feel called to serve others in this way. Help us to do more to recognise and support people working in this over-stretched sector.

10. For the Tamar Mission Community, its clergy Andy Atkins, Philip Conway, LLM Richard Searight, and for all who live and worship in Thrushelton, Stowford, Milton Abbot with Dunterton, Marystowe, Lifton, Lew Trenchard, Lamerton with Sydenham Damerel, Kelly with Bradstone, Coryton and Broadwoodwidge.

11. For the Tavy Mission Community, its clergy Sean Brassil, Hazel Butland, Rosie Illingworth, Judith Blowey, readers Anne Palfrey, Sue Allerton, Sally Pancheri, Wendy Roderick Hake, Liz Bastin, and for all who live and worship in Whitchurch, Tavistock, Peter Tavy, Mary Tavy, Gulworthy and Brent Tor.

12. For the Teign Valley and Haldon Hill Mission Community, its priest Ruth Frampton and for all who live and worship in Dunsford, Dunchideock, Doddiscombsleigh, Christow, Bridford and Ashton.

13. In our link with the Diocese in Cyprus and the Gulf, we pray for all those currently in training for ordained and lay ministry.

14. For the Three Rivers Mission Community, its priest David Sayle, and for all who live and worship in Ugborough, Harbertonford, Moreleigh, Harberton, Halwell, Ermington and Diptford with North Huish.

15. On World Youth Skills day we pray for the young people in our communities, that they would be empowered to explore their own passions and be ambitious in their aspirations. Help us to build up the young people in our lives, to encourage, support and disciple them.

16. For the Three Wells Mission Community, its priest Michael Wilkie, LLMs Ian Firth, John Dunn and for all who live and worship in Kingskerswell, Coffinswell and Abbotskerswell.

Sunday 17th – Saturday 23rd

We pray for schools and colleges across Devon as they break up for summer holidays in the coming weeks. We pray that students, teachers and staff will finish the term well, and that the summer will bring rest and restoration. We also pray for those who have just graduated from university, we pray that they would know God's closeness, as they enter a new season in their lives.

17. For the Tiverton Mission Community, its clergy Andy Humm, Richard Maudsley, LLMs Jude Taylor, Tim Bradshaw and for all who live and worship in Tiverton, Saint George and Saint Paul, Tiverton St Andrew, Saint Peter Tiverton and Chevithorne with Cove.

18. For the Topsham Mission Community, its clergy Louise Grace, Margaret Stirling-Troy, and for all who live and worship in Wear, Topsham.

19. For the Torquay Central Mission Community, its clergy Peter March, Sam Leach, Stephen Ball, Emma Dornan, Peter Jackson, and for all who live and worship in Torquay St Luke, Torquay St John, Saint Mary Magdalene Torquay and All Saints Torre.

20. For the Torquay West Mission Community, its clergy Paul Ireton, Paul Evans, LLMs Stephen Vans-Colina, Jeff Hacon, and for all who live and worship in Shiphay Collaton and Cockington.

21. For Hospital Chaplains across Devon, we pray they would put their trust in you Lord, that you would renew their strength as they minister to staff and patients in our hospitals, particularly during this time of increased pressure on the NHS.

22. In our link with the Diocese of Thika, we're praying for the Namrata Shah Children's home, for Lucy the manager and for the children who have come from desperate situations into a home where they will be loved and cared for. We also pray for the older children boarding at secondary schools and those who have gone into further education or are looking for employment.

23. For the Torridge Mission Community, its priest 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.

Serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbour as yourself."

GALATIANS 5:13-14

