

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>

During the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we pray: 'In your love, you have made each one of us. In your grace, you gather us together in your image.' Lord, help us to grow in unity and understanding and say: 'How good and pleasant is it when God's people live together in unity!' (Ps. 133:1).

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

23. For the Tamar Mission Community, its clergy Andy Atkins, Philip Conway, Phill Parker, 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.

24. On the International Day of Education, we pray for all teachers and educational staff in Devon, particularly those in CofE schools. We give thanks for their commitment to the growth and development of children and young people, please sustain them in their vocation, Lord.

25. On the Feast Day of the Conversion of Paul, we remember the Damascus Road, where Jesus appeared to Paul and turned him from a persecutor of His people into His chosen instrument. Lord, thank you that you forgive us, and use the most unlikely people for extraordinary work.

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

27. On Holocaust Memorial Day, we lament the deaths of the six million Jews killed during the Holocaust. Forgive us, Lord, when we have allowed fear and prejudice to lead to hatred and discrimination. Help us stand together with those who are suffering today, so that Christ's love in and through us will triumph over evil.

28. 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.

29. For our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we give thanks for all ecumenical prayer meetings taking place in Normandy. We also pray for the Bishop of Bayeux-Lisieux and for the appointment of a Vicar-General.

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

31. 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.



# JANUARY PRAYER DIARY

Dear God, please remind us that you make a way in the wilderness. When we pass through waters, you will be with us, when we walk through fire, we shall not be burned. As we take hold of these promises, please give us eyes to perceive where you are moving this year. Amen.

*(Isaiah 43)*

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>

**As a New Year begins and we make plans and resolutions for the year ahead, we pray that our main desire would be to seek and serve you, please give us our daily bread and help us keep in step with the Spirit in all you have prepared for us this year.**

1. On New Year's Day, we reflect on the year that has passed, the sorrows and the joys, and looking ahead, we take comfort knowing you will be with us in our weeping and rejoicing, help us to pray: may your will be done in our lives.

2. On St Basil's Day, we remember the life of Basil of Caesarea who cared for the sick and hungry and transformed lives in the name of Jesus. We give thanks for St Basil's church in Devon, and pray that you would continue to stir this growing community as they follow the way of Jesus and bless their local area.

3. For the St Matthias Mission Community, its clergy John Beckett, Paul Barton, and for all who live and worship in St Matthias, St Mark and Holy Trinity, Torquay.

4. For the St Pancras Mission Community, its clergy Lawrence Braschi, Duncan Hollands, Families and Outreach Worker Mariska Minter, Church Army Minister Phillip Baul, LLM Paul Lumb, and for all who live and worship in St Pancras, Pennycross.

5. In our link with Melanesia, we pray at the beginning of their academic year for the students, teachers and school workers. Lord, please enable an enjoyable and inspiring year for all in learning, making up for the lost time of school closures last year due to COVID-19.

6. On Epiphany, we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Wise Men and give thanks for how you led each of us to Jesus. May we share their hearts of adoration, bringing our lives as offerings to the King.

7. For the people of Ukraine, many of whom will be celebrating Orthodox Christmas today. We pray that the celebration of Christ's birth would bring hope where there is despair. We also pray for Ukrainian families living in Devon and give thanks for those hosting them.

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>

As a new school term begins, we pray for children and young people across Devon, that they would have fresh enthusiasm and excitement. We pray that this year would bring opportunities for them to know you and to learn to rely on your Holy Spirit for guidance and direction.

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

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

10. For Prison Chaplains in Devon, we give thanks for their ministry as they share the Good News with those in prison. We pray for breakthrough in the lives of those they meet, please would you protect them in those places Lord.

11. For the Seaton and Beer Coastal Mission Community, its clergy Justin Montague, Alison Finch, and for all who live and worship in Seaton, Beer.

12. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf we pray for Archbishop Michael Lewis, Bishop of Cyprus and the Gulf, may God bless him in his ministry.

13. For the Sherford Community Church Mission Community, its priest Tom Brassil, LLM Andrew Williams, and for all who live and worship in Sherford.

14. For the Shirwell Mission Community, its clergy Rosie Austin, Sue Davies-Fletcher, and for all who live and worship in Shirwell, Loxhore, Kentisbury, East Down with Arlington, Challacombe, and Bratton Fleming with Stoke Rivers.

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

This week we pray for all the curates on the Diocesan Holy Land trip, that they would enjoy rest and restoration, and be profoundly impacted as they walk in your footsteps, Jesus. May they encounter your presence and hear you speak, as you sharpen them for ministry.

15. On World Religion Day, we give thanks for respectful and productive relationships with other faith groups, whilst still professing our faith in Christ who is the way the truth and the life. We pray for all those who are persecuted because of their faith, and for an end to violence caused by religious conflict.

16. For all those struggling with their mental health today on the 3rd Monday of January, often referred to as 'Blue Monday'.

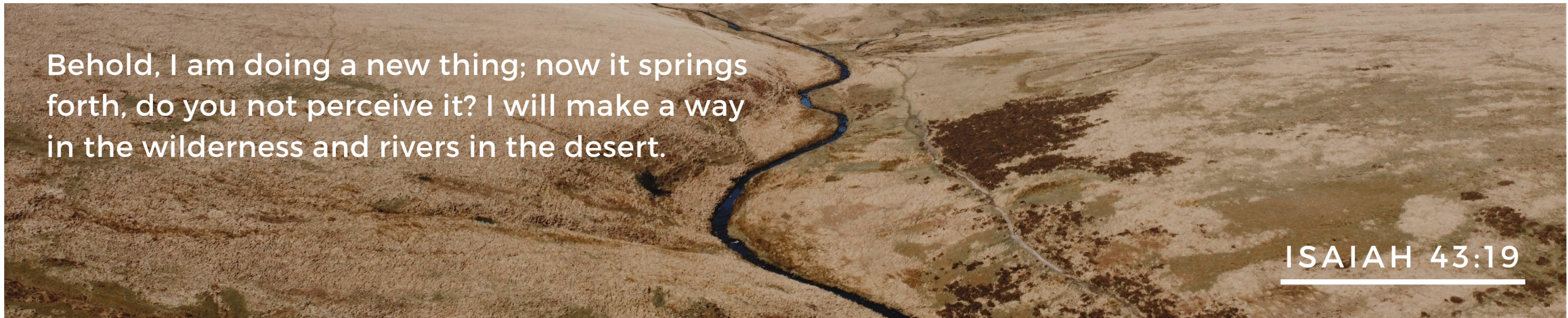
17. For the Sid Valley Mission Community, its clergy David Caporn, Matthew Selman, Laura Selman, Kim Mathers, Nigel Candelent, Sarah Mounoury, LLMs John Dunster, Carolyn Croft, and for all who live and worship in Woolbrook, Sidbury with Sidford, Salcombe Regis, and Sidmouth.

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

19. In our link with the Diocese of Thika, we pray for the Very Rev'd Stephen Nduati, Provost of St Andrew's Cathedral, and its associate clergy and people. We also pray for the many home groups, Sunday schools and youth groups across the Diocese.

20. For the South Dartmoor Mission Community, its clergy Paul Hinckley, James Harding, Frances French, LLM Julie Hinckley, and for all who live and worship in Sparkwell, Ivybridge, Harford, and Cornwood.

21. 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.



Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

ISAIAH 43:19