



Prayers

Thursday 1st – Saturday 10th October

At the beginning of breast cancer awareness month we pray for all those who are suffering with any cancer in Devon. We pray for healing in body and soul; that they may be free from pain and fear, and showered in strength. We thank you for the scientists who are working so hard to find a cure for cancer- bless them with wisdom and guide them in their work.

1. For the Dawlish Coast Mission Community, their clergy Dallas Ayling, Tim Collins, Richard Allen, their readers Margaret Noel and Will Halse, and for all who live and worship in Starcross, Dawlish with Holcombe and Cofton.
2. For the Devonport Mission Community, their clergy Tim Buckley, Sue Nicholas, Ruth Sayers, their readers Lynda Buckley and John Wright, and for all who live and worship in Devonport St Aubyn, Devonport Saint Michael and Saint Barnabas.
3. For the Dunkeswell Mission Community, their clergy John Hayhoe, Jane Penn and for all who live and worship in Upottery, Sheldon, Plymtree, Luppitt, Dunkeswell and Broadhembury.
4. Pray for all our hospital chaplains in their ministry on the front line of the pandemic, and for the Rural Deans in their work of oversight and pastoral care.
5. For the East Exeter Mission Community, their clergy Tanya Hockley-Still, John Byatt and Tatiana Wilson, their readers David Smith and Tina Smith, and for all who live and worship in Whipton Saint Boniface and Saint Mark Exeter.
6. For the Elburton Mission Community, their priest James Croucher, their reader Linda Dodwell, and for all who live and worship in Elburton.
7. For the Edgemoor Mission Community, their clergy David Baker, Alison Rogers, Penny Lawson and Alastair Forman, their 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.
8. On World Sight Day, pray for all those with visual impairments and especially those in third world countries whose impairments are treatable, that they will get the assistance they need and all the benefits modern medicine has to offer.
9. 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.
10. On World Mental Health Day pray for those in Devon who are confronted by the challenge and confusion of mental illness, that they may be healed and blessed with dignity and peace. Also on World Homeless Day we pray for all those who are living on our streets. Give thanks for all the churches and charities who are doing so much to support these people and grant them the authority and resources to make a real difference.

Sunday 11th – Saturday 17th October

As we begin Prisons Week we pray for prisoners, victims, families and for anyone working in the justice system. We pray for all the prisoners in Devon, that they might discover an inner freedom and peace, which is rooted in the love, hope and peace of God.

11. On CAP Sunday (Christians Against Poverty) pray for all those affected by debt and poverty in our communities. Pray that our churches will be inspired to make a real difference to help those in need. Pray also for the Exeter Network Church Mission Community and their leaders Jon and Jo Soper.
12. For the Five Alive East Devon Mission Community, their readers Gill Heighway and Anna Crabbe, and for all who live and worship in Yarcombe, Stockland, Shute, Kilmington and Dalwood.
13. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France, pray for those in pastoral teams, especially those preparing others to support parishes in various ministries: catechesis, tourism and taking funerals. Also for the clergy and people in the parishes of Pont-L'Eveque.
14. For the Five Red Churches Mission Community, their priest John Williams and for all who live and worship in Powderham, Kenton with Mamhead, Kenn and Exminster.
15. For the Forder Valley Mission Community, their clergy Chris Routledge, Keith Murphy and Ann Hosking, and for all who live and worship in Egguckland with Estover.
16. For the Four Ways Mission Community, their priest Shaun O'Rourke, their readers Christopher James and Peter Rozzell, and for all who live and worship in West Buckland, Swimbridge, Landkey and East Buckland.
17. On Child Poverty Day pray for all children living in poverty, and that every child would have the opportunity to wonder, to learn, to grow and to play. Pray that we are moved as individuals to do all that we can to help children in the UK and abroad who are living in poverty.

'After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.' Revelation 7:9

Heavenly Father, during black history month we thank you for our diversity, and your amazing vision of a worshipping multitude gathered from every nation, tribe, people and language. Where there is division and inequality in our communities, we pray for restoration and justice; where there is damage we pray for healing. Inspire and challenge each of us as to how we can personally make a difference to greater reflect your love. Amen

Sunday 18th – Saturday 24th October

With Healthcare Sunday on Sunday 18th we pray particularly for health care workers in our own communities as they continue to serve faithfully despite the increasingly challenging environment. Pray for their protection, both physically and mentally, as they care for others.

18. For the Fremington Mission Community, their priest Tom Simpson, and for all who live and worship in Westleigh, Instow and Fremington.
19. 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.
20. For the Haldon Mission Community, their clergy Jane Frost and Sue Astbury, their readers Richard Frost and Anna Venables, and for all who live and worship in Teignmouth West, Teignmouth East, Ideford with Luton, Bishopsteignton and Ashcombe.
21. For the Hartland Team Mission Community, their clergy Jane Skinner, Madeline Bray and Jane Hayes, their readers Eunice Dunn and Vera Tooke, and for all who live and worship in Woolfardisworthy West, Welcombe, Parkham, Lundy, Hartland, Clovelly, Bucks Mills, Buckland Brewer and Alwington.
22. For the Heavitree Mission Community, their clergy Jolyon Seward, Alexander Hobbs and Andrew Johnson, and for all who live and worship in Saint Mary Steps and Heavitree with St Paul Exeter.
23. For the Holsworthy Mission Community, their clergy Richard Freeman, Stephen Skinner and Elizabeth Burke, their readers Mary Aicheler and Jim Williams, 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.
24. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, pray for the church of St Mark in Famagusta, a predominantly Muslim city, where the Reverend Martin Phillips-Last has recently been appointed as priest in charge. Pray for Martin as he traverses the challenges of mission in this area and pray that this vibrant church is strengthened and continues to grow.

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Sunday 25th – Saturday 31st October

With Halloween (All Saints' Eve) approaching, we pray for God's physical and spiritual protection over all our children and families. We pray for a good Half Term rest for teachers and school staff. We pray that God will deliver those who may be fearful and that God's light and life will shine through us all.

25. For the Holyford Mission Community, their clergy Steve Martin, John Lees and Victoria Chester, their readers Charles Hill, Jan Lees and Emma Laughton, and for all who live and worship in Southleigh, Musbury, Colyton and Branscombe.
26. For the Honiton Mission Community, their priest Sue Roberts, their reader Julia Barrett, and for all who live and worship in Honiton with Monkton, Gittisham, Combe Raleigh, Buckerell and Awliscombe.
27. For the Hukeley Mission Community, their priest Kevin Chandra, their readers Rebecca Colpus, Nicholas Francombe, and for all who live and worship in Petton, Morebath, Huntsham, Clayhanger and Bampton.
28. In our Companion Diocese of Thika, pray for the finance teams who are providing finance and business training and setting up savings and loans groups for hundreds of people who cannot access formal banking.
29. In our link with the Province of Melanesia, we pray for the Diocese of Temotu and for the Bishop Willie Tungale in his new ministry as Diocesan Bishop, and for all the staff working at the Headquarters at Lata. We give thanks for the work of the Mothers' Union and the four Anglican Religious Orders across all nine dioceses in the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu, as they work to reduce domestic and gender-based violence.
30. For the Kingsbridge Mission Community, their clergy Jackie Taylor, Clive Rogers, and Matt Gorton, their reader Amanda Sarjeant, and for all who live and worship in Kingsbridge, Dodbrooke, and West Alvington.
31. For the Kingsteignton Mission Community, their clergy Mark Smith and Sandra Gill, and for all who live and worship in Kingsteignton and Teigngrace.

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