

# Prayers

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> – Sat 8<sup>th</sup> April

As we look towards Palm Sunday give thanks for and celebrate all that Jesus brings to our lives

1. Pray for Bishop Nick as he visits the Okehampton Deanery and for Bishop Sarah as she visits the Shirwell Deanery. Both visits finish tomorrow 2nd.
2. Pray for the new Chair of Devon County Council Andrew Moulding as he is welcomed to the role in a Civic Service in Axminster today.
3. For the Plymouth Charles Mission Community, their clergy Paul Bryce, Olly Ryder, Rob Fowler, Readers Ann Stevens, Jason Marsh and for all who live and worship in Charles with Saint Matthias Plymouth.
4. For the Plymouth Emmanuel Mission Community, their clergy Karl Freeman, Tony Williams, Bev Cree, Readers Denise O'Leary, Judy Earl, Timothy Lyddon and for all who live and worship in Plymouth Emmanuel with St Paul Efford and St Augustine.
5. Pray for our clergy as they take part in a Quiet Day today led for them by Bishop Robert in Exeter.
6. Pray for our healthcare chaplains and in particular for Nigel Mason based at Hospiscare in Exeter.
7. For the Plympton Mission Community, their clergy Roger Beck, Robert Harris, Reader Robert Harrison and for all who live and worship in Plympton St Maurice and Plympton St Mary.
8. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we are asked to pray for chaplaincies with students at school and university, for those preparing for confirmation and undertaking trips to Taize. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Bretteville-sur-Laize.



## Sun 9<sup>th</sup> – Sat 15<sup>th</sup> April

As we begin Easter week we pray for all churches running holiday clubs and other events to reach out to young people with the message of hope and new life.

9. On Palm Sunday we pray - True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.
10. For the Raleigh Mission Community, their priest Anne Charlton and for all who live and worship in Otterton, East Budleigh with Bicton and Budleigh Salterton.
11. Pray for our Further Education Chaplains and especially Victoria Thurtell working to support staff and pupils at Exeter Cathedral School.
12. For the Sacred Heart Mission Community, their priest Andy Overton and for all who live and worship in St John the Evangelist Sutton-on-Plym with St Simon Plymouth and St Mary the Virgin Laira and Saint Gabriel Peverell Park Plymouth.
13. On Maundy Thursday we pray - God our Father, your Son Jesus Christ was obedient to the end and drank the cup prepared for him: may we who share his table watch with him through the night of suffering and be faithful. Also pray for all those renewing their ordination vows at the Chrism Eucharist in the Cathedral today.
14. On Good Friday we pray - Eternal God, in the cross of Jesus we see the cost of our sin and the depth of your love: in humble hope and fear may we place at his feet all that we have and all that we are, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
15. On Easter Eve we pray - In the depths of our isolation we cry to you, Lord God: give light in our darkness and bring us out of the prison of our despair; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*“...just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.” Romans 6:4*

## Sun 16<sup>th</sup> – Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> April

This week pray for all our CofE school headteachers and staff, that they may enjoy the Easter break and feel refreshed, reinvigorated and ready to return to school.

16. On Easter Sunday we pray - God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.
17. In our link with Cyprus and the Gulf we pray for St Paul's Anglican Church in Kuwait. They have three English, Urdu and Chinese congregations. Thank God for all who are able to worship there.
18. For the Saint Andrew & Saint Paul Mission Community, their clergy Joe Dent, Leon Sim, Lawrence Braschi, Leon Catallo, Reader David Huntley and for all who live and worship in Saint Paul Stonehouse and Saint Andrew Plymouth.
19. For the Saint Boniface, Saint Budeaux and Saint Philip Mission Community, their clergy Stephen Beach, Adam Price, Readers Elizabeth Dickens, Martin Clements and for all who live and worship in Saint Philip, Weston Mill, Saint Budeaux, Saint Boniface and Devonport.
20. For the Saint David Mission Community, their priest Christopher Durrant, Reader Bill Pattinson and for all who live and worship in Saint David.
21. For the Saint James Mission Community, their clergy Henry Pryse, Andrew Down and for all who live and worship in Saint James.
22. Pray for Bishop Robert and for all the team working in his office: PA Justine Tear, Secretary Claire Sherlock and Chaplain, Graham Stones.



# CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sat 29<sup>th</sup> April

Pray this week for all our prison chaplains. Thank God for all that they do to support prisoners, families and staff.

23. For the Saint Jude Mission Community, their priest Tim Smith, Readers Peter Hadden, Jane Sanham, Jackie Yates and for all who live and worship in Saint Jude Plymouth.
24. For the Plymstock Mission Community, their clergy David Appleby, Jennie Appleby, Readers Anthony Banbury, Graham Dee and for all who live and worship in Plymstock and Hooe.
25. In our link with Thika we are asked to give thanks for the transformation of lives and churches that Bishop Robert saw on his visit last October and to pray for the training of more clergy and lay people to facilitate Umoja (Church and Community Mobilisation Process).
26. Pray for the Archdeacon of Totnes, the Ven Douglas Dettmer and his PA Chris Brathwaite.
27. Pray for all diocesan staff as they take part in a Quiet Day today run for them by Bishop Robert.
28. For the Cadbury Deanery, Rural Dean Nigel Guthrie and Secretary Anne Jerman.

29. In our link with Melanesia we thank God for the recent visit of two Melanesian Bishops to rededicate Patteson's Cross, near Feniton, after renovation work. It was commissioned to remember John Coleridge Patteson from East Devon, who was the first Bishop of Melanesia. Give thanks for the thriving link.

Sun 30<sup>th</sup> April

30. Please pray for the work of our CofE Headteachers around our diocese and in particular for Executive Headteacher of West Alvington Primary School Mrs S Rowe-Jones. Pray for all staff and children.

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