

Prayers

Tues 1st – Sat 5th August

At Lammas tide on August 1st, it is traditional to take a loaf, made from the first grain of the harvest season, to be blessed in church and to ask for God's blessing on the ensuing harvest. Thank God for his wonderful creation and pray for all who work the land.

1. On Lammas Day we pray: O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
2. For the Whiddon Mission Community, their clergy Paul Seaton-Burn, Nick Weldon, Rita Bullworthy, Harriet Every, Reader Jill Hobbs and for all who live and worship in Throwleigh, Spreyton, South Tawton, Sampford Courtenay, North Tawton, Honeychurch, Hittisleigh, Gidleigh, Drewsteignton, Chagford and Bondleigh.
3. For the White Cross Mission Community, their clergy Karen Spray, Sid Humphries and for all who live and worship in Woodbury with Exton, Woodbury Salterton, Farringdon, Clyst St Mary, Clyst St George and Aylesbeare.
4. For the Winkleigh Mission Community, their priest Clive Jobbins, and for all who live and worship in Winkleigh, Brushford, Broadwood Kelly and Ashreigney.
5. In our link with Melanesia we are asked to pray for the Bishop of Ysabel Rt Revd Ellison Quity as the sixth bishop for the Diocese of Ysabel. The Diocese of Ysabel covers the Anglican communities in Ysabel, Choiseul, Western Provinces and the Russell Islands in Central Islands Province. The church currently has seven dioceses in Solomon Islands and two in Vanuatu and New Caledonia. We also give thanks for the Rural Training Centres across Melanesia providing vocational training to young men and women.



Sun 6th – Sat 12th August

This week pray that everyone enjoying a holiday may find ‘rest for their souls.’ Pray particularly for those people you know who are weary and in need of a good rest.

6. On the feast of the Transfiguration we pray: Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.
7. For the Withycombe Raleigh Mission Community, their clergy Robert Sellers, Stephen Hoyle and for all who live and worship in Withycombe Raleigh.
8. For the Yealm and Erme Mission Community, their priest Anne Legge and for all who live and worship in Revelstoke, Newton Ferrers and Holbeton.
9. For the Yealmside Mission Community, their clergy Martin Lea Kirkbride, Owen Murphy and for all who live and worship in Yealmpton, Wembury and Brixton.
10. Pray for all our hospital chaplains and in particular for Julie Cartwright co-ordinating chaplain at Barnstaple Hospital.
11. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we are asked to pray for all those involved in planning exchange conferences, especially for speakers and those providing hospitality. For parishes, their clergy and people in the area of Falaise.
12. For the Abbotskerswell Mission Community, their priest John Leonard, Readers Tim Collins, Ian Firth, Ruth Bettesworth and for all who live and worship in Kingskerswell, Coffinswell and Abbotskerswell.

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” Matthew 11:28-30

Sun 13th – Sat 19th August

Pray for all churches running holiday clubs for young people. For fun to be had and friendships formed as well as a sense of God with them as they play and learn together.

13. For the Alphington Mission Community, their priest Mark Nightingale, Reader Lesley Phillips-Cannon and for all who live and worship in Shillingford St George, Ide and Alphington.
14. Pray for our Education chaplains: especially Jonny Baker and team at St Peter's in Exeter.
15. On the festival of St Mary we pray: Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
16. For the Appledore, Northam, and Westward Ho! Mission Community, their priest Derek Arnold, David Carrington, Readers Glen Yeo, Deborah Bayliss, Nigel Price, Anne Foster and for all who live and worship in Westward Ho!, Northam and Appledore.
17. For the Ashburton & Moorland Mission Community, their clergy David Sherwood, Geoffrey Fenton, Simon Croft, Reader Marion Kaye and for all who live and worship in Widecombe in the Moor, Leusdon, Holne and Ashburton with Buckland in the Moor and Bickington.
18. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf pray for the parishes, clergy and people of Nicosia. Pray for the worshippers, pilgrims, visitors and sightseers at St Paul's Cathedral.
19. Pray for all the staff working in the diocesan offices at the Old Deanery in Exeter: that those on holiday would be refreshed and renewed and that all other staff would be able to enjoy the summer as they continue to work.

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 20th – Thurs 31th August

Hold in prayer your local priest and ministry team. Pray that they would enjoy the summer. Perhaps invite them for a b-b-q to thank them for all they do?

20. For the Aune Valley Mission Community, their priest Daniel Hartley, Reader Nell Stamp and for all in Woodleigh, Thurlestone, South Milton, Loddiswell and Churchstow.
21. Pray for our bishops – Robert, Nick and Sarah – that they would be refreshed and renewed over the summer.
22. For the Axe Valley Mission Community, their clergy Clive Sedgewick, Geoffrey Walsh, Readers Tony Nixon, Su Clark and for all who live and worship in Membury, Combyne with Rousdon, Chardstock St Andrew, Axminster and All Saints All Saints.
23. On UNESCO Slavery Memorial Day: As we recall the horrors of the slave trade still going on today, we ask God to forgive us and help us to work for liberty and freedom for all people.
24. In our link with Thika we are asked to pray for microfinance initiatives: the setting up of savings and loans groups for people who cannot access formal banking – and for the provision of finance and business training.
25. On the festival of the apostle Bartholomew we give thanks for all he did and pray that we may be bold in sharing our faith with others.
26. Pray for all those attending the Greenbelt festival over this Bank Holiday weekend.
27. For the Barnstaple Mission Community, their clergy David Fletcher, Nigel Dilkes, Simon May, Guy Chave-Cox, Marion Sanders, Shirley Paterson, Andy Dodwell, Readers John Hartfield, Joanna Pay and for all in Sticklepath with Roundswell, Pilton with Ashford, Newport, Goodleigh, Bishops Tawton, Barnstaple St Peter and St Mary Magdalene, Barnstaple Holy Trinity.
28. For the Beacon Parishes Mission Community, their priest Peter Ashman and for all in Ipplepen with Torbryan, Denbury and Broadhempston with Woodland.
29. For the Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston Mission Community, their clergy Nick Law, Dawn Oakley, Readers Susan Belfield, Sheila Gay and for all in Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston.
30. For the Bideford and the Four Villages Mission Community, their clergy Claire Rose-Casemore, Gwen Smith, Leigh Winsbury, Alan Glover, Madeline Bray, Readers Peter Hooper, Sarah Cordingley and for all in Weare Giffard, Monkleigh, Littleham, Landcross and Bideford.
31. For the Bovey Valley Mission Community, their clergy David Harris, Graham Hamilton, Simon Franklin, Readers Lionel Holmes, John Randall and for all who live and worship in North Bovey, Moretonhampstead, Manaton, Lustleigh, Ilsington, Hennock, Bovey Tracey St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury and Bovey Tracey St John with Heathfield.

