

Prayers

Thu 1st – Sat 3rd October

Bring to God all those who are starting their university course or those returning to it; for other higher education courses, staff and students. Pray for them and all those involved in teaching and the life of these facilities.

1. Please pray today for the Archdeacon of Plymouth, the Ven Ian Chandler and his PA Ashley Mason.
2. In our link with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France, pray for the Basilica at Lisieux, its staff and pilgrims and for all its work promoting St Therese.
3. Please pray for the Ivybridge Deanery, Rural Dean Frederick Denman, Lay Chair Jayne Richardson and Treasurer Chris Lock.

Sun 4th – Sat 10th October

This week thank God for our pets - for the joy and comfort they bring. Also pray for the welfare of all animals and bring before God those who make a living working with animals.

4. On Animal Welfare Sunday we remember with joy and gratitude, all your creatures, whose beauty and diversity enriches our lives beyond measure and we ask for forgiveness for the many ways in which animals are abused and exploited, through both ignorance and greed.
www.aswa.org.uk
5. Please join with Mothers' Union members around the world who will be praying for Central Melanesia as part of their Wave of Prayer until 7th. Please bring to God Mary Vunagi, the wife of Archbishop David, who is now the President of Melanesia's Mothers' Union. Thank God for our link with them and all that we share with each other.
6. Please pray for the Raleigh Mission Community, their clergy Anne Charlton, Pennie Hartopp and Annita Denny and the congregations at St Michael, All Saints, St Mary, St Peter and St John.
7. Bring to God the Sacred Heart Mission Community, their clergy Keith Haydon and Trevor Jordan and the congregations at St John the Evangelist, St Mary the Virgin, St Simon and St Gabriel.
8. Please pray for Catherine Allen, Director of Human Resources in our diocese. For all her work with the people based in the Old Deanery and beyond.
9. Please pray for all attending the Safeguarding Training today in Exeter. For the trainers Christine Hindle and Sarah Miller.
10. Please pray for everyone attending diocesan synod today in County Hall, Exeter. Pray for clear thinking and good decisions made.

Sun 11th – Sat 17th October

This week pray for the group from Devon who is visiting our link of Thika in Kenya. They will be visiting linked parishes, the Children's Home and other projects supported by our diocese. Pray for good fellowship and a growing partnership and for understanding of each other's hopes and needs in our different cultural situations. Also pray for the Melanesian Brothers Great Conference (until 25th) when they elect their leadership for the next four years. Join in their prayer – Help us, O Lord, to hold the wind and catch the breeze of this changing time; so that we may be able to take a new course for your mission amidst the challenges of today.

11. As we begin the Week of Prayer for World Peace (11-18) we pray – Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Amen.
12. Bring to God the St Andrew & St Paul Mission Community, their clergy Joe Dent, Leon Sim and Reader David Huntley and the congregations at St Paul, St Andrew and St Michael.
13. Please pray for Rt Rev Julius Wanyoike, Bishop of our link Diocese of Thika and for the work of all those in the Mothers Union.
14. Pray for the parish of Milber, the clergy John Potter, Reader Graham Whittle and the congregation at St Luke's.
15. On International Credit Union Day pray for all those involved with member-owned, not-for-profit financial cooperatives: those who run them and those who are helped. www.woccu.org
16. Please pray for Woodleigh Deanery, especially their Rural Dean Daniel French, Lay Chair Michael Tagent, Secretary Joyce Howitt and Treasurer David Scott.
17. Please pray for all attending the Safeguarding Training today in Exeter, and all those involved in the safeguarding of children and adults.

“Now Jesus was praying in a certain place and when he finished one of his disciples said to him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.’” 1 LUKE 11:1

Sun 18th – Sat 24th October

Pray this week for God's world and use the theme 'Hope in Action' to inspire your prayers. It is this year's theme for One World Week from 18th-25th Oct. Pray for inspiration for a culture of hope to build a more equal and peaceful world.

18. On this Healthcare Sunday, as we remember St Luke, pray for all those in your churches who work in the caring profession. Thank God for their dedication and care. www.healthcaresunday.org.uk
19. Please pray for all attending the Safeguarding Training today in Plymouth. For the trainers Christine Hindle and Sarah Miller
20. Today hold in prayer the St Budeaux & St Philip Mission Community, their clergy Stephen Beach, Readers Martin Clements and Elizabeth Dickens and the congregations at St Philip and St Budeaux.
21. Please pray for the St David Mission Community, their clergy Tom Honey, Reader Bill Pattinson and the congregations at St David and St Michael & All Angels.
22. In our link Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, please pray for the Anglican Consultative Council and thank God for the richness of the Anglican world.
23. Please pray for St James Mission Community, the clergy Henry Pryse, and the congregation at St James.
24. On United Nations Day pray for the work of the United Nations around the world and especially in areas of conflict.



CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 25th – Sat 31st October

Bring to God those you know who are in need. Name them and say the Lord's Prayer.

25. Please pray for the St Jude Mission Community, the clergy Tim Smith, Readers Jackie Yates, Jane Sanham, Peter Hadden, Carl Budden and the congregation at St Jude.
26. Bring to God Nigel Mason, chaplain at Hospiscare, St David's, Exeter.
27. Please pray for the St Leonard Mission Community, their clergy Simon Austen, Chris Keane, Matt Rowland and the congregation at St Leonard.
28. Feast of St Simon and St Jude - Please pray for all those Melanesian brothers being commissioned today into the Melanesian Brotherhood, an Anglican religious community of men in simple vows. Thank God for our thriving link with Melanesia.
29. Please pray for the St Matthias Mission Community, their clergy John Beckett, Paul Barton, Reader Ruth Beckett and the congregations at St Matthias.
30. Please pray for the St Michael & St Barnabas Mission Community, the clergy Tim Buckley, Readers John Wright, Lynda Buckley and the congregations at St Michael and St Barnabas.
31. All Hallows Eve – On the eve of All Saint's Day, thank God for our many blessings and pray for all the holy men and women we celebrate on All Saints Day. Pray for protection upon all involved in Halloween festivities and thank God for the many light parties organised by churches.

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