

Prayers

Wed 1st – Sat 4th June

This week pray for all volunteers as celebrations take place across the UK as part of Volunteers' Week. Thank God for the work of thousands of people who regularly volunteer and make a difference in their communities. (www.volunteersweek.org)

1. On International Children's Day pray for the flourishing and well-being of all children, that they will be surrounded by the love and care they need.
2. Pray for the Otter Vale Mission Community, their clergy Steve Weston, Cate Edmonds, Mark Ward, Ann Turner, Richard Allen, John Pangbourne, Mac Dick, Readers John White, David Williamson, Ann Yates, Alan Steel and for all who live and worship in West Hill, Saint Michael, Tipton St John with Venn Ottery, Payhembury, Ottery St Mary, Newton Poppleford, Harpford, Feniton, Escot, Colaton Raleigh and Alfington.
3. Pray for Sandy Brown Executive Headteacher of the South West Schools Federation (Bampton VA, Combe Martin and Woolacombe Community Primary Schools.)
4. In our link with Melanesia we are asked to remember the Founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood Ini Kopuria and to pray for all Brothers, Novices and Companions around the world. There will be a midday service today at Exeter Cathedral to remember Ini. And please pray for the Diocese of Temotu as they await the appointment of their new Bishop 19th – 21st June.



Sun 5th – Sat 11th June

As communities across the UK prepare to celebrate HM the Queen's 90th birthday let us thank God for her dedication and for her witness to her sustaining faith. Pray for all the celebrations that they may bring light and life to the places where they take place.

5. On World Environment Day we pray – Help us to remember that the environment is home to all life and that we must take up responsibility to ensure all life is respected. Amen.
6. At the start of Carers Week we pray for all those who are in challenging caring roles and thank God for the vital contribution made by the UK's 6.5 million carers.
(www.carersweek.org)
7. Pray for the work of diocesan Director of Ordinands Becky Totterdell and administrator Louise Spencer and hold in prayer all those in the process of discerning their calling and vocation.
8. Pray for all attending safeguarding training today and on 13th and 22nd. Pray for those leading as they deliver a new training programme and for all the participants.
9. Pray for the Our Lady and All the Saints North Torquay Mission Community, their clergy Gorran Chapman, Robert Ward and Paul Jones and for all who live and worship in Torquay St John, Torquay Saint Martin Barton, Saint Marychurch, Babbacombe.
10. For the Our Lady of Glastonbury Mission Community, their clergy David Bailey and David Watson and for all who live and worship in Saint Aidan Ernesettle, Saint Chad Whitleigh, and Saint Francis Honicknowle.
11. On this feast day of the apostle Barnabas we pray that, like him, we may be filled with the Holy Spirit and be ready to proclaim the gospel by word and deed.

Sun 12th – Sat 18th May

This week praise and thank God for this beautiful world and ask for His guidance in looking after it.

12. A special collect for the Queen on her 90th birthday to be used in services today: 'Heavenly Father, as we celebrate the ninetieth birthday of Her Majesty the Queen, receive our heartfelt thanks for all that you have given her in these ninety years and for all that she has given to her people. Continue, we pray, your loving purposes in her, and as you gather us together in celebration, unite us also in love and service to one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord.'
13. For the Paignton Mission Community, their clergy Roger Carlton and Jeffery Hill, Reader Ron Edinborough and for all who live and worship in Paignton.
14. For the Paignton Christ Church Mission Community, their priest David Witchell, Reader Pamela Macey and for all who live and worship in Paignton St Paul Preston, Paignton Christ Church.
15. On this World Elder Abuse Awareness Day we pray for a better understanding of the issues around elder abuse and pray for all those affected. (www.elderabuse.org.uk)
16. Pray for chaplain Nick Griffin and the Chaplaincy team at the University of St Mark and St John in Plymouth.
17. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf, pray for the Bishop the Rt Revd Michael Lewis and for his wife Julia.
18. For the Plymouth Charles Mission Community, their priest Paul Bryce, Readers Ann Stevens and Jason Marsh and for all who live and worship in Charles with Saint Matthias Plymouth.

Sun 19th – Sat 25th June

In Refugee Week (20 – 26 June) we pray for a better understanding of the plight of refugees and that they may receive the help they need.

19. On Father's Day ask for God's blessing on all fathers as they care for their families. Ask God to give them strength, wisdom, tenderness and patience. Amen
20. Pray for Anne Billington Headteacher at Offwell VC Primary School.
21. Pray for the work of Julie Cartwright, the co-ordinating chaplain at the Barnstaple Hospital Chaplaincy.
22. Hold in prayer the South Molton Deanery especially their Rural Dean Adrian Wells and their Lay Chair, Secretary and Treasurer Sandra Andrews.
23. We pray today for the EU referendum vote and ask that whatever the outcome God's kingdom will come and His will be done in and for the UK as well as for the rest of Europe.
24. On this feast day of John the Baptist we pray the collect: 'Almighty God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance: Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.'
25. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we are asked to pray for their new priests and their parishes, and for seminarians.



CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

Sun 26th – Thurs 30th June

This week pray for all those who preach and teach in your local churches.

26. Pray for the Parish of Buckland Monachorum, the priest Graham Cotter and Readers Margaret Goodfellow, Peter Harlow, Paul Nixon and Mark Smith and for all who live and worship there.
27. For the Plymouth Emmanuel Mission Community, their priest Karl Freeman, Readers Timothy Lyddon, Denise O'Leary and Judy Earl and for all who live and worship in Plymouth Emmanuel with St Paul Efford and St Augustine.
28. For the Plympton Mission Community, their clergy Roger Beck and Robert Harris, Reader Robert Harrison and for all who live and worship in Plympton St Maurice, Plympton St Mary .
29. On this feast day of Saint Peter and Saint Paul we pray: 'Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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. Amen'
30. In our link with Thika we are asked to pray for the new Archdeaconry of Makongeni, Archdeacon James Kamura, the clergy and people. And our linked parishes of Happy Valley and Makongeni.

“And call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

PSALM 50:15

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