

# Prayers

Tue 1<sup>st</sup> – Sat 5<sup>th</sup> November

In Living Wage Week we pray: God of justice and friend of the poor, we pray for all in our communities who work for a wage that fails to provide sufficiently for their welfare and their dependents. In this Living Wage Week bless the work of Living Wage Campaigns in challenging employers to pay their staff a living wage so that work may be properly rewarded and poverty overcome. ([www.livingwage.org.uk](http://www.livingwage.org.uk))

1. On All Saints Day we pray: God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
2. On the festival of All Souls, we pray: Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us with the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promise 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.
3. We pray for those leading and all attending the workshop today on dementia friendly worship and pastoral care.
4. In our link with Melanesia we are asked to pray for the Diocese of Henuato'o, Provincial Cathedral & Society of St Francis. Especially pray for the Human Rights Teacher Training finishing today being led by two school teachers from Devon.
5. For the Barnstaple Mission Community, their clergy David Fletcher, Guy Chave-Cox, Simon May, Nigel Dilkes, Marion Sanders, Shirley Paterson, Andy Dodwell, Cathy Scoffield, Readers Richard Holloway, Joanna Pay and for all who live and worship in Sticklepath with Roundswell, Pilton with Ashford, Newport, Goodleigh, Bishops Tawton, Barnstaple St Peter and St Mary Magdalene, Barnstaple Holy Trinity.



## Sun 6<sup>th</sup> – Sat 12<sup>th</sup> November

This week recall all those people you have known who have encouraged and supported you in your faith journey and give thanks to God for them.

6. For the Beacon Parishes Mission Community, their priest Peter Ashman, Reader Tessa Amies and for all who live and worship in Ipplepen with Torbryan, Denbury, Broadhempston with Woodland.
7. For the Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston Mission Community, their clergy Nick Law, Dawn Oakley, Andy Barton, Readers Sheila Gay, Susan Belfield and for all who live and worship in Bere Ferrers with Bere Alston.
8. Pray for the work of our Further Education Chaplains and especially for Gordon Snook and the chaplaincy team at City College, Plymouth.
9. Please pray for the work of our CofE Headteachers around our diocese and in particular for Executive Headteacher Martin Harding and Head of School Karen West at St Michael's Primary School, Kingsteignton.
10. Pray for Lead Chaplain Paul Snell and his colleagues Sacha Pearce, Jan Collis and Simon Fletcher and for all in the chaplaincy team at the Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust (Derriford Hospital and Royal Eye Infirmary).
11. At 11am we stop to remember all those who have lost their lives in war and those who grieve for them.
12. Pray for those leading and for all attending the safeguarding training today in Exeter, in Torquay on 23rd and in Exeter on 28th.

*“But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.”* JAMES 1:6

## Sun 13th – Sat 19th November

In Interfaith Week pray that, as we are enriched by the diversity of faiths that call our country home, we may be ready to learn from one another and celebrate the things we have in common.

[www.interfaithweek.org](http://www.interfaithweek.org)

13. Pray for Bishop Robert for his time in the Plymouth Deanery on the Bishops in Mission initiative today until 16th and on Remembrance Sunday we pray: Ever-living God we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
14. For the Bideford and the Four Villages Mission Community, their clergy Claire Rose-Casemore, Gwen Smith, Sandra Juniper, Leigh Winsbury, Steve Hunt, Alan Glover, Maddy Bray, David Carrington, Readers Peter Hooper, Sarah Cordingley and for all who live and worship in Weare Giffard, Monkleigh, Littleham, Landcross, Bideford.
15. Hold in prayer the Kenn Deanery, Rural Dean Martin Wood, Lay Chair Jane Richards, Secretary David Garnsworthy and Treasurer Michael Beckett.
16. For the Bovey Valley Mission Community, their clergy Graham Hamilton, David Harris, Simon Franklin, Greg Stanton, Readers Joyce Stanton, Lionel Holmes 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, Bovey Tracey St John with Heathfield.
17. In our link with the Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf we pray for the Archdeacon in the Gulf Bill Schwartz and for his wife Edith.
18. For the Braunton Mission Community, their priest Anne Thorne, Reader David Rushworth and for all who live and worship in Braunton.
19. For the Brixham Mission Community, their clergy Ian Blyde, John Gay, Angela Sumner, Pam Wheeler, Readers Susan Shaw, Wendy Emlyn and for all who live and worship in Lower Brixham, All Saints, Kingswear, Churston Ferrers, Brixham St Mary.



# CHURCH OF ENGLAND DEVON PRAYERS

## Sun 20<sup>th</sup> – Sat 26<sup>th</sup> November

In Prisoners Week remember all who are affected: people in prison, people who have been hurt by the actions of others, those who work in prison and for families and communities touched by crime. [www.prisonersweek.org.uk](http://www.prisonersweek.org.uk)

20. In our link with Thika we are asked to pray for Ven Canon John Mbutia and the clergy and people of Mang'u Archdeaconry. And our linked parishes of Mang'u, Gakui and Kairi.
21. Pray for the House of Bishops meeting today. For good listening and healthy debate.
22. For the Buckland Monachorum Mission Community, their clergy Graham Cotter, Readers Margaret Goodfellow, Mark Smith, Paul Nixon and for all who live and worship in Buckland Monachorum.
23. Pray for the Archdeacon of Plymouth, the Ven Ian Chandler and his PA Bev Smerdon.
24. In our link with the Diocese of Bayeux-Lisieux in France we are asked to pray for the small Anglican community centred in Caen and their Chaplain Fr Matthew Harrison.
25. For the Central Exeter Mission Community, their clergy Sheila Swarbrick and for all who live and worship in Central Exeter.
26. Pray for the meeting of Bishop's Diocesan Council at 10am today in The Old Deanery in Exeter.

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## Sun 27<sup>th</sup> – Wed 30<sup>th</sup> November

27. In this First Sunday of Advent we pray: Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
28. For the Chudleigh Mission Community, their clergy Paul Wimsett, Martin Fletcher, Readers Sheila Fletcher, Arnold Cade, Fiona Wimsett, Helen Harding and for all who live and worship in Trusham, Chudleigh Knighton, Chudleigh.
29. For the Churches 4 All Mission Community, their clergy Chris Martin, Sheila Walker and for all who live and worship in Whimple, Talaton, Clyst St Lawrence, Clyst Hydon.
30. On the feast of St Andrew we pray: Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and brought his brother with him: call us by your holy word, and give us grace to follow you without delay and to tell the good news of your 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.

