



Diocese of Canterbury
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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

'Praying for each other; praying with each other'



October 2021



Please pray for the Ignite communities in the Ashford Deanery. Praying particularly for our Ignite Enablers; Dawn Evans and Dawn Stamper. May they be upheld and enthused in their ministry and mission. And we pray for all those who are involved, in what ever way. Please pray that each person will know that they are loved and valued, and may they find faith in the risen Lord, as friendships are shared, generosity offered and the joy of community experienced.

Pray that the outreach of God's people will

continually remind us of God's love for all.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Freetown - The Church of the Province of West Africa (West Africa Province)

Clergy: Jeremy Worthen, Bonnie Appleton, Dawn Stamper, Cathie Aldis, Richard Bellamy

Assistant Curates: Bruce Watson, Geoff Abasolo-Munnery, Andrew Brown

Readers: Alison Gunther, Derek Goodwin, James Beck

Schools: John Wesley CE/MP School, Kennington CE Academy, Kingsnorth CE Primary School, St Mary's CE Primary School, The John Wallis Church of England Academy Ashford

We have been engaging with Mission Action Planning this year as we seek to understand more fully the place where we are called to serve, and how we can share in God's mission here.

Please pray for:

- Our Parish Mission Enabler, Sophie Carnaby, who joined our team at the beginning of September
- Insight as we seek to identify vision, goals and priorities for the parish and for the churches that belong to it
- Participation in our 'Foundations for Growth' course for small groups, to support this process
- Patience in listening to one another across our different church communities.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gahini - Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

Clergy: Chris Denyer

Assistant Curate: Susan Manners

Reader: John Selden

Schools: Brabourne CE Primary School, Stowting CE Primary School

We pray for discernment in reviewing our pattern of worship across the parish, and to find a way forward that is sustainable and reaches out to new people.

We give thanks and pray for the new ministry of Reverend Susan in the first months of her curacy in the Parish, and also for those seeking to develop their gifts in leading worship and beginning the ALM course.

We pray also for our new initiatives this autumn in reaching out to and serving our varied communities across the parish, and establishing a new regular act of worship in a different setting in Sellindge.

Anglican Communion:

The Church in Wales



Lord of the harvest...

Still the stormy waters at the boughs of our minds;

Mend the sorrowful holes in the nets of our souls;

Guide our weary rudders with your wise counsel;

Fill our empty holds with the blessings of your grace;

And lift our tired hands with praise for your

bounty:

Let those who go down to the sea in ships,

Thank the Lord for his steadfast love.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Rev'd Canon Seth Cooper - Rector at Walmer and Cornilo Benefice)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gambella - The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria



Lord of the Harvest, you give to your world good gifts to enjoy: in all sorts of foods, drinks, colours, aromas and flavours:

We thank you for all who provide for people's every need: you know, society's wonderful, crucial life-savers.

Lord of the Harvest, you're passionate about justice, dignity, community, relationships and all things in the world being fair,

We thank you for all those who put others first: likewise, please help us all care and share.

Lord of the Harvest, you're passionate about where people go hungry and thirsty, you call those "with" to help those who go without.

We thank you for those who help people get back on their feet. Please help us all notice need and help out.

Lord of the Harvest, you're passionate about those who aren't able to experience your gift of Life at its Best.

Please inspire all those who make decisions and policies and laws which affect others, to ensure no one is oppressed.

Lord of the Harvest, you're passionate about those who experience pain in life: you're close-by even when life's at its worst

Thank you for those who make life better, who alleviate suffering, fear, loneliness, hunger and thirst.

Lord of the Harvest, you're passionate about calling us all to play our part so everyone in the world can thrive,

Please direct us to love all our neighbours better, so it's not just the fittest that survive.

Lord of the Harvest, we thank you we can live lives of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Please help us to be your channels of this Fruit of your Spirit to join you in making the world whole. Amen

(Prayer request written by Rev'd Daniel Corcoran - Community and Mission Priest, Faversham Benefice)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gambia - The Church of the Province of West Africa (West Africa Province)



Lord of the Harvest,

We give thanks for this world that we inhabit, for the changing seasons and the beauty of the underlying intricate connections between all life across planet earth.

Help us to develop responsible ways of co-existing that seek to maintain the integrity of those connections and honour our calling to be good stewards of all we survey.

Within our local communities we are thankful for the connections that have developed during the difficulties of the global pandemic, and we pray that these would be maintained for the future benefit of those communities.

Here in the county town of Maidstone we pray for the ongoing work of partnerships across the town and for those making significant decisions concerning the development of infrastructure and facilities, that there is an underlying desire to be of the widest possible benefit.

We give thanks for those who have given their time and energy across the years, and the generations, to fulfil that desire. As the river Medway flows through this place, with its life-giving waters, may your love also flow through hearts and minds, bringing a closer glimpse of the glory of your kingdom and our harvest home.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Rev'd Chris Lavender - Priest in Charge of Allington: St Nicholas with Maidstone: St Peter)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Garissa - The Anglican Church of Kenya



Lord of the harvest.

Your word tells us that you are the Vine and we are the branches, that if we abide in you then you will abide in us. Thank you for the fruit of the vine, for the refreshment it gives us,

its use as both food and drink. At the Wedding of Cana you changed water into wine so that the celebrations could continue.

At the last supper you took a cup of wine, gave thanks to God, and shared it with your friends saying, 'This is my blood shed for you'. We give thanks for all who plant vineyards, harvesting the crop and making wine so celebrations may be joyful, and memories made. Bless the fruit of the vine, the growers and those who gather in the crop. In Jesus name we pray.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Rev'd Lindsay Hammond - Team Rector of the Benefice of Tenterden, Rother and Oxney)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gasabo - Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda



Lord of the harvest,
we give you thanks for the daily harvest
of fresh milk.

We thank you for golden butter and
creamy cheese.

We thank you for the dedication of
herdsmen and women across the county
and for the skill of those who produce
yoghurt, butter and cheese for us to
enjoy.

We wonder at the science that improves herd fertility and animal health
and the technological advances in milking machinery and herd management.
Father we thank you that the farmer knows their animals and cares for them
just as you, The Good Shepherd, know your flock and care for us.

Lord, bless our dairy farmers who work long hours
so we can enjoy our morning cup of tea.

Bless them in the good times and the bad,
when the work is heavy and light,
and at the end of the day may they know your love.

In Jesus name we pray.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Rev'd Chris Hodgkins - Diocesan Rural Business Chaplain)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gboko - The Church of Nigeria (Abuja Province)



Lord of the harvest,

We thank you for those who have devoted their lives to the study of agriculture, for scientists, teachers and students and those who have used that knowledge to feed the world in ever more efficient ways.

We thank you for the advances in technology, but pray that our ingenuity would always serve the common good and honour your creation.

In Jesus name.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Rev'd Ravi Holy - Vicar of The United Wye Benefice)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of George - The Anglican Church of Southern Africa



God you are at the centre of creation.

Hear our prayer of thankfulness for the gift of land and the richness and diversity of creation.

You bring us into partnership to work within creation and, through the efforts of

the farmer and grower, bring forth fruitfulness and food from the land.

At this time of Harvest hear our prayer for the agricultural community, for all who bring us the produce for our wellbeing and all who work to maintain the beauty of the countryside. These prayers and thanksgivings we offer to you, God of creation and fruitfulness.

Amen

(Farming Community Network Prayer)

Anglican Communion:

The Church of the Province of West Africa

11 OCT

THE BENEFICE OF CALEHILL WITH WESTWELL

Clergy: Sandra Marsh

Reader: Mark Taylor

Schools: Charing CE Primary School, Egerton CE Primary School, Pluckley CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Georgia - The Episcopal Church (IV Province)

12 OCT

PRAYING WITH THE DOVER DEANERY, ITS CLERGY AND PEOPLE

Area Dean: Andy Bawtree

Lay Chair: Nigel Collins

Secretary: Jeremy Wilkes

Treasurer: Marianne Slater

We give thanks for the joy and anticipation of new colleagues working together and growing as disciples in a new era. For the hard work and enthusiasm of the new clergy Ian, Sean & Kaz, along with Catherine, Angie, Melissa & Brian. The sterling work from our Readers, Chaplains, PTO clergy and Churchwardens through the pandemic.

We pray for new ventures and restarting previous ministries.

For refreshment and perseverance for leaders, alongside an ongoing trust and confidence in Christ Jesus our hope and our object of worship in various forms and styles. We ask for patience and a fresh outpouring of God the Holy Spirit. For our joint work with other Christians from Christians Together in Dover at the Food Bank, Street Pastors, Sunrise Cafe Outreach Centre CAP Money Course and shared witness.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gippsland - The Anglican Church of Australia (Victoria Province)

13 OCT

DOVER DEANERY: CLERGY WITH PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE

Please pray with us for those with Permission to Officiate within our Deanery. We thank God for their willingness to continue serving the Church with generosity and joy. May they be upheld and strengthened in their ministry. Please pray for:

Stewart Carolan-Evans, Roger Broughton, Bob Coles, Brian Duckworth, Robert Farrell, Trish Godfrey, Bruce Hawkins, Kevin Jacobs, Richard Le Rossignol, Polly Mason, Marguerite Mower, John Philpott, Jonathan Russell, Peter Sherred, Richard Woods

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gitega - The Anglican Church of Burundi

14 OCT DOVER DEANERY: CHAPLAINS

Pray for all those exercising chaplaincy ministry - formally and informally - within Schools, uniformed organisations, residential care communities, community clubs, businesses, health care groups, prisons, police, armed services and in sport. May God give them wisdom to respond to the opportunities given, to be assured of their calling to be witnesses to Christ. May they know the support of local churches and see God at work wherever they go.

Malcolm Sawyer, David Slater, Toby Marchand, Jonathan Russell

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway - The Scottish Episcopal Church

15 OCT DOVER: PRAYING FOR DEANERY FRESH EXPRESSIONS AND MISSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES



Please pray today for the Missional Learning communities and the Fresh Expressions of Church gathering, worshipping, praying and witnessing in our deanery. Pray that signs of a living faith will spring up in unexpected places, pray that we will dare to join with God in creating a caring, sustainable and growing Christian presence. Teach us to listen to the voice of God, and to follow where he leads us. May we be a means by which the love God has for the world is shared, with generosity, and

that through our acts of loving service and discipleship we will share the good news.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gloucester - The Church of England (Canterbury Province)

16 OCT ALKHAM: ST ANTHONY WITH CAPEL-LE-FERNE: ST RADIGUND & HOUGHAM: ST LAURENCE

Clergy: Brian Williams

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gogrial - The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Northern Bahr el Ghazal Province)

17 OCT BEWSBOROUGH PARISH

Clergy: Sean Sheffield

Reader: Jenny Groombridge

School: Sibertswold CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Church in the Province of the West Indies



As we pray to you Lord, we remember your healing touch, your discerning voice, your vision and comprehension of a world restored, your care for both person and planet.

We recall you as the gateway to the wholeness we crave, as the doorway to life eternal and life in abundance - now.

Help us to look to you as our pattern and to reflect your guidance and mission; may we be ever open to love, extending healing and hope always in your name Jesus. Amen.

(Prayer request written by Reverend Lorraine Apps-Huggins - Lead Chaplain at The Living Well, Nonington)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Goma - Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

Clergy: Melissa Carter, Catherine Tucker

Assistant Curate: Angie Stupple

Readers: Wendy Bowditch, Nigel Collins, Mike Bowditch, Chris Scoble, Graham Snellin

Schools: St Mary's CE Primary School, Guston CE Primary School, Dover College, Charlton Church of England Primary School

Please pray today for the Dover Town team, particularly our Interim Team Rector Rev Catherine Tucker as she begins her ministry with us. We give particular thanks for the growth of our children groups and services.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gombe - The Church of Nigeria (Jos Province)

20 OCT

RIVER: ST PETER & ST PAUL

Clergy: Andy Bawtree

Readers: Don Soppit, Lynne Watson, Steve Saunderson, Margaret Bowers

Schools: Charlton CE Primary School

Pray with us as we begin to worship together. We are so grateful to our musicians Andy, Rachel & John, the marvellous tech team of Alex, Thomas & Nigel who have enabled the streaming of services. To our Churchwardens and faithful Verger Sue. The flower team including young Megan along with the church cleaners.

The maintenance team led by Maurice and dedicated intercessors including our Readers Lynne, Margaret & Steve.

As the PCC looks to the future and ways in which we can share the love of the Lord Jesus we ask for patience and wisdom. The Lunch Club is restarting under Sarah with folk keen to both eat and help. We are planning a Thank You service for the community and a Service of Lament and Remembrance.

We hope to continue to bear witness to the Living God in our village and wider community.

Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Grafton - The Anglican Church of Australia (New South Wales Province)

21 OCT

ST MARGARET-AT-CLIFF WITH WESTCLIFFE & EAST LANGDON WITH WEST LANGDON

Clergy: Kaz Reeves

Readers: Barbara Broughton, Anthony Hyde

Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Grahamstown - The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

22 OCT

TEMPLE EWELL: ST PETER & ST PAUL WITH LYDDEN: ST MARY THE VIRGIN

Clergy: Ian Parrish

Schools: Temple Ewell CE Primary School

We give thanks for the joy of new initiatives – for listening and discernment.

Please pray for:

Our Missional Learning Community helping us to find God's way forward in mission, transforming the culture of the church and encouraging healthy spiritual practices.

Eco Quest helping us to understand the natural environment, God, and ourselves.

For Prayer and Share, a safe place helping us to listen to God and one another and equipping us to pray more deeply.

God's blessing on our Deanery Mission Plan that we will be confident and creative, rooted in scripture and open for adventure, equipping, encouraging, and organising ourselves for God's promised future.

Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Guadalcanal - The Anglican Church of Melanesia



Clergy: Jonathan Russell, Bob Coles, Peter Sherred, Polly Mason, Brian Duckworth

Reader: John Morrison.

We give thanks that:

- we listened to the Lord's guidance to be open for services whenever possible this year.
- our regular congregation has grown despite the pandemic
- we have been able to provide services for visitors from neighbouring parishes, re

enactors at castle events and military memorials.

Please pray that

- the growth is sustained,
- reaching out to those whose 'uncertainty' of church continues
- those who have not returned to worship will find a way back to the Lord, somewhere.
- we keep a balance of Sacramental and Sincere worship with Safety and Security for congregation and visitors.

Amen

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Guatemala - Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

Area Dean: Jane Weeks

Lay Chair: David Donald

Secretary: Bill Mills

Treasurer: Laurie Maxfield

Anglican Communion:

The Extra-Provincial Churches

25 OCT

ELHAM DEANERY: CLERGY WITH PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE

Please pray with us for those with Permission to Officiate within our Deanery. We thank God for their willingness to continue serving the Church with generosity and joy. May they be upheld and strengthened in their ministry. Please pray for:

Peter Ashman, Bruce Bridgewood, Pam Clark, Ted Clark, Alan Davis, David Good-burn, Ronald Herbert, Charles Hill, Martin Jewitt, David Makepeace, Roger Martin, Richard Pamplin, Barry Preece, David Ratcliff, Janet Thornby, John Tomlinson, Ei-leen Webb, John Wright

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Guildford - The Church of England (Canterbury Province)

26 OCT

ELHAM DEANERY: CHAPLAINS



Pray for all those exercising chaplaincy ministry - formally and informally - within Schools, uniformed organisations, residential care communities, community clubs, busi-nesses, health care groups, prisons, police, armed services and in sport. May God give them wisdom to respond to the opportunities given, to be assured of their calling to be witnesses to Christ. May they know the support of local churches and see God at work wherever they go.

Malcolm Sawyer, Tricia Hill, David Slater, Bill Mills, Heather Parsons

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Guinea - The Church of the Province of West Africa

27 OCT

MISSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY

Please pray today for the Missional Learning community gathering, worshipping, praying and witnessing in our deanery. Pray that signs of a living faith will spring up in unexpected places. Pray that we will dare to join with God in creating a caring, sustainable and growing Christian presence. Teach us to listen to the voice of God, and to follow where he leads us. May we be a means by which the love God has for the world is shared. Through our acts of loving service and discipleship, may we share the good news.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gujarat - The (united) Church of North India

28 OCT

CHERITON WITH NEWINGTON

Clergy: Stephen Crofts (Priest in charge designate)

Readers: Stephen Brown, Frank Conley, Jenny Hoyle

Churchwardens: Florence Goldsmith, Helen Vincent, Keith Barber, Geoff Long, Stephen Ind

Schools: All Souls CE Primary School, Seabrook CE Primary School, St Martin's CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Central Gulf Coast - The Episcopal Church (IV Province)

29 OCT

ELHAM VALLEY GROUP OF CHURCHES

Clergy: Jane Weeks

Assistant Curates: Deb Scoble, Stephen Dougal

Readers: Diana Baldwin, Bill Meakin, Sharon Paine

Schools: Elham CE Primary School, Selsted CE Primary School, School: Lyminge CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Gusau - The Church of Nigeria (Kaduna Province)

30 OCT

FOLKESTONE: ST JOHN THE BAPTIST



Clergy: Adam Denley

Readers: Robert Grieve, Frances Morgan, Alex Finlow, Joan Herbert

Saturday 4th September, St John's Church flung open our doors and welcomed the community to our annual Summer Fayre.

Music, laughter, games, conversation and BBQ smoke filled the air of St Johns Church Road.

Our aim - host an event to bless our local community and create a "Helping hands Fund" to support those in need.

Please pray for more opportunities to connect with the community and share God's love. Also please pray that St Johns would be outwardly focussed in the year ahead and discern how best to support those in need via the Helping Hands Fund.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Guyana - The Church in the Province of the West Indies



Loving God,
Though our destination is not yet clear,
May we trust in Your graceful promises;
Though we are uncertain of ourselves,
May we be rooted in Your loving regard;
Though our attention is inclined to wander,
May we hear the things You are saying;
Though we often neglect Your influence,
May we be convicted of Your power to change,
In Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Steve Coneys - Diocesan Mission and Growth Advisor)

Anglican Communion:

The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria



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