



Diocese of Canterbury

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

'Praying for each other; praying with each other'



**'Best of all,
God is with us...'**

John Wesley

February 2022

1 FEB

THANET DEANERY MISSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY



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.

Through our acts of loving service and discipleship, may we share the good news.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Kansas - The Episcopal Church (VII Province)

2 FEB

PRAYING TOGETHER: FOR THE MINISTRY OF ANNA CHAPLAINS



Faithful God, you have promised in Christ to be with us to the end of time. We thank you for all those who have been called to exercise Anna Ministry to those in the Diocese of Canterbury who have lived long and experienced much. Bless them in all they do - for the community groups and activities, the befriending and support, for ministry in residential care homes, for services online live and recorded. Thank you for their creativity, their patience and their humour as they find ways to

show your grace and love. For your glory and your Kingdom.

Amen

(Prayer request written by Judith Andrews - Anna Chaplain in the Thanet Deanery)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Western Kansas - The Episcopal Church (VII Province)

3 FEB

MARGATE: ALL SAINTS (WESTBROOK)

Clergy: Dawn Watson

We give thanks for our relationship and ministry with the uniformed organisations, Hartsdown Academy and local nursery schools.

Please pray for us as we continue to consider our future ministry and mission in this place.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Kanyakumari - The (united) Church of South India

4 FEB

HARVEST NEW ANGLICAN CHURCH

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwardens: Margaret Vafeas, Jann Gilliland

Pray with us as we consider the challenge of mission.

Pray that we will be able to listen to God and hear, through prayer, where he is calling us to be.

Pray that we will be gifted with wisdom and understanding, so that we will know how to share the gospel in this post pandemic world, and in doing so to make the body of the church more viable in today's society.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Kapaeta - The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Eastern Equatoria Province)

5 FEB

MARGATE: HOLY TRINITY

Clergy: Clifford Stocking

Assistant Curate: John Huffman

Reader: Audrey Morris

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Kapsabet - The Anglican Church of Kenya

6 FEB

LISTENING AND DISCERNING: LIVING IN GOD'S LOVE



Almighty God, just as the heavens are higher than the earth,

so are your ways higher than our ways

and your thoughts than our thoughts.

Transform our hearts and draw us into your love;

free us from the selfish desire of worldly gain

and help us to reimagine how we use the gifts we have

that we may give of ourselves and our possessions

to accomplish all that you desire

and achieve the purpose for which you gave them.

Amen.

(Prayer request written by Revd Canon Andrew Dodd -
Canon Treasurer Canterbury Cathedral)

Anglican Communion:

The Church of Ireland

7 FEB

MARGATE: ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

Clergy: Dawn Watson

School: Holy Trinity & St John's CE Primary School

We give thanks for the opportunities we have had to reconnect with our local community through events and Christmas services. We pray that we will continue to be inspired by the Holy Spirit in our ministry and mission in Margate. We give thanks for our local schools and for all they do to support our children and young people. Please pray for them as they continue to experience great difficulties during the pandemic.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Karachi - The (united) Church of Pakistan

8 FEB

MARGATE: ST PAUL (CLIFTONVILLE)

Clergy: Patrick Ellisdon, Pru Dulley

Reader: Kim Palmer

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Karamoja - The Church of the Province of Uganda

9 FEB

ST PETER-IN-TANET

Clergy: Jan Durrans

Assistant Curate: Alice Bates

Chaplain: Margaret Paddison

Schools: St Georges CE Foundation School and St Peter in Thanet CE Junior School

As we give thanks for activities we have been able to resume – our Christmas Tree Festival, Festive Fayre, Children's Church, home groups meeting in person – we ask you to pray with us for those in need whom we support: the people of Afghanistan, and those who use the Thanet Food Bank and Winter Shelter. Please also pray for our new Toddler Group – a joint endeavour with our local Baptist Church – more cooks to help secure the future of our Monday Lunch Club, and that, going forward, we will respond with generosity, love and hope to the post-pandemic changes we encounter.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of North Karamoja - The Church of the Province of Uganda



Almighty and Merciful God,
 You that are the Father,
 And have experienced hate and mistrust upon your Son,
 Please grant us an understanding heart;
 We pray for refugees, asylum seekers and unaccompanied
 asylum-seeking children;
 Bless those whose home is no more,
 And those who welcome the stranger as their own;
 Lord of Light,
 You are the One and only who truly knows the limits of the
 mind;

Help us shine from within.

Let us be the tiny matches carrying your light where we see darkness;

And lead us in simplicity with others; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(Prayer request written by Domenica Pecoraro - Canterbury Diocese Refugee Projects Officer)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Karimnagar - The (united) Church of South India

Clergy: Stuart Gay

Reader: Helen Rogers

Pray for open hearts to the future of St. Philip's as we seek to be Missionaries to our neighbours and as we enter year two of the Missional Learning Communities process. We have enjoyed the ride so far. Please pray that as many as possible will come on board and be as excited as the team are about the opportunities of learning and sharing. Thank you.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Karnataka Central - The (united) Church of South India

12 FEB

RAMSGATE: CHRIST CHURCH

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwarden: Vacant

School: Christ Church CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Karnataka North - The (united) Church of South India

13 FEB

LISTENING AND DISCERNING: LIVING WITH GENEROSITY



Infinite God,

you came to us in Jesus that we may have life in abundance.

When we are tempted to narrow the limits of your love, or feel overwhelmed by the needs of our church and world, give us courage to believe in your promises of abundant life.

And filled with that life may our generosity be a sign and symbol of the trust you put in us to be as Christ to one another for the good of all those who you call us to serve.

Amen.

(Prayer request written by Revd Canon Andrew Dodd - Canon Treasurer Canterbury Cathedral)

Anglican Communion:

The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

14 FEB

RAMSGATE: HOLY TRINITY



Clergy: Paul Blanch

School: Holy Trinity CE Primary School

Pray with us that we will see a continued growth in new families and individuals worshipping with us, despite the problems of living through a pandemic. We also give thanks for our amazing Church school and it's staff and pupils, for the real engagement we have in and through Collective Worship and visits to the parish church. As we move into our second year of being linked to St Andrew's in Deal, we thank God for the many blessings this brings to both priest and people and the gifts of sharing resources and faith.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Karnataka South - The (united) Church of South India

15 FEB

RAMSGATE: ST GEORGE

Clergy: Paul Worledge

Give thanks for the strong engagement with people in the town centre, through the Christmas Tree festival, concert and services. Also, for the ongoing work of the Tuesday Community Meal and Sunday School.

Pray for the developing partnerships with St. Luke's and Christ Church and for lay leadership teams to be formed to build community and grow disciples across the three churches.

Give thanks for the refurbishment of a room in the hall and the removal of asbestos from the church crypt. Pray that plans can progress for improving the church heating.

Anglican Communion:

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



Gracious Lord, we thank you for those folk in our churches who have heard your call and have responded. For the lay people who contribute to the leading of worship at services, youth work and pastoral duties which support our clergy, giving freely of their time and talents, we give you our heartfelt thanks and ask that you strengthen them in their service. May they be encouraged in their work and supported by their parishes. Thank you, Lord for these willing disciples scattered

throughout our churches. Amen.

(Prayer request written by Vanessa Fairbrass - Authorised Lay Minister St Nicholas-at-Wade)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Katakwa - The Anglican Church of Kenya

Clergy: Paul Worledge

Assistant Curate: Claire Coleman

Give thanks for the development of our music group over the last year, which really blessed our Christmas services. Also, for the Cafe4All initiative, which has developed a coffee morning in church on Thursdays, for our first youth led service in December and the work of our Sunday children's groups. Please pray that all these areas would continue to grow and develop in 2022.

Pray for the developing partnerships with St. George's and Christ Church and for lay leadership teams to be formed to build community and grow disciples across the three churches.

Anglican Communion:

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



Clergy: Philip Musindi

Reader: Michael Hawthorne

Dear Heavenly Father,
We thank you that your Son Jesus welcomed children and taught us to become like them. Thank you for their joy and laughter. Give young people a thirst for knowledge and the self discipline to work to the best of their ability. We pray for the safety of children in our homes, schools and places of worship. Give your wisdom

to those who teach young people. We pray especially for St Andrew's Church and its younger generation. May Messy Church be a place of welcome to all families, where crafts, worship and food are enjoyed together.

Amen.

Anglican Communion:

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

Clergy: Andrew Jacobson, Ken Cox

Readers: Sue Cox, Judith Andrews, Frances Barnes

Anna Chaplain: Judith Andrews

Reader in training: Amanda Champs

We praise God for the encouraging growth in many of the 5 churches in our benefice. We thank God for our local leadership teams, PCC and all who lead our various groups and societies, especially our faithful PTOs and Lay Readers.

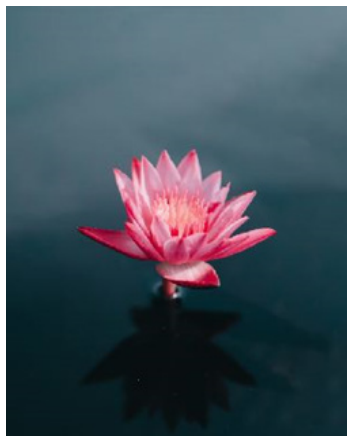
Please pray for our parish pastoral teams as they continue to care for the many sick and bereaved.

We continue to thank God for our strong links with St Laurence in Thanet Church of England Junior Academy and the opportunity to lead collective worship twice a week.

Please pray for wisdom for our Parish Shared Leadership Team as they meet to discern our vision and strategy for the next year.

Anglican Communion:

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



God who clothes the grass of the field with the lilies
and feeds every bird of the air,
teach us to know the true value of our treasure
not in the fading and transitory value of what money
can do for us
but in the power to transform our communities.
As so much of our world has changed in the pandemic
may we be generous disciples of Christ
and dedicate ourselves to build a better world
as we seek first God's kingdom and his righteousness.
Amen.

(Prayer request written by Revd Canon Andrew Dodd - Canon Treasurer Canterbury Cathedral)

Anglican Communion:

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

Clergy: Vacant

Reader: Sally Willins

Churchwardens: Sue Hergest, David Mairs, Paul Budgie, Tricia Swift

Schools: Chislet CE Primary School, Minster CE Primary School, Monkton CE Primary School, St Nicholas at Wade CE Primary School

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks that over the past year you have drawn our four churches closer together. And we rejoice with you for those from our congregations who were confirmed at the end of last year. As we move through this time of interregnum, we ask that you bless our benefice. Pour out your Spirit upon our congregations that this forthcoming time may be one of growth, reflection, and deepening discipleship for all involved in the life of our benefice. Help us to discern those ministries and roles you call us to so that our benefice may flourish in the months ahead. Amen.

Anglican Communion:

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

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwardens: Jean Starke, Mick Flanders,

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Mount Kenya Central - The Anglican Church of Kenya

Clergy: Karen Gooding

Pray for a strengthening of our commitment to one another as a fellowship of believers and to our wider community. We rejoice that PTO Canon Gary Colville is joining us and that the Looking Ahead project will be running a cafe and community garden in our church and grounds. Please keep our new Toddler and Friendly Friday Groups in your prayers, as well as our Hub project with the Town Council.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Mount Kenya South - The Anglican Church of Kenya



We pray for our homeless community. For those who often, through no fault of their own, find themselves without a roof over their heads and sleeping in a doorway or a tent on our streets. We pray for those whose only worldly goods they carry with them; for those who are struggling with addictions. We give thanks for the work of all those agencies who support our homeless communities around the diocese. Help us God, to see your face in every homeless person we meet and pray they will find security and hope.

(Prayer request written by Revd Jo Richards - Canterbury Chaplain to the Homeless and Priest-in-Charge of St Dunstan, St Mildred & St Peter Canterbury Benefice)

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Mount Kenya West - The Anglican Church of Kenya

Area Dean: Cathy Sigrist

Lay Chair: Vacant

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Nigel Poole

Loving Lord, we give thanks for all that you are doing here in the West Bridge Deanery and for the new shoots that are beginning to grow and develop. We pray for your guidance and wisdom as we review and update our Deanery Mission Plans and give thanks for the many gifts and talents that so many individuals bring and share to enable these plans to be implemented as we work “Towards a Flourishing and Sustainable future”. We ask your blessing on all who serve in the Deanery, giving thanks for all the volunteers who work so tirelessly in your name. We pray that You will enfold all who minister in our Deanery in your loving arms and that they may know and receive your love, care, strength and peace.

Anglican Communion:

The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

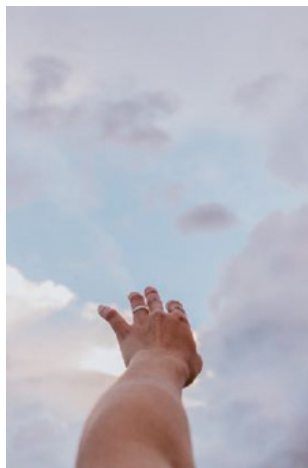
The Diocese of East Kerala - The (united) Church of South India

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 and for the gifts of experience and time that our PTOs offer to ministry in this Deanery. We pray for God’s blessing on their ongoing Christian pilgrimage and that they may be upheld and strengthened in their ministry as we pray by name for:

Garth Barber, Brian Chalmers, Chris Duncan, William Hill and Dylan Turner

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of South Kerala - The (united) Church of South India



God of all that is
 you created the heavens and the earth from nothing,
 and brought beauty and order from chaos,
 inspire and encourage us to use the gifts you lavish upon us
 as wise stewards of your blessings.
 Help us not to take more than we need,
 and share with those in want.
 May we recognise and treasure what you have given us
 and use our time and money to be disciples of Christ in the world
 as we grow in holiness and love for our neighbours.

Amen.

(Prayer request written by Revd Canon Andrew Dodd - Canon Treasurer Canterbury Cathedral)

Anglican Communion:

The Anglican Church of Kenya



We pray for all who live or work in our Deanery, praying especially for the pupils and staff in our schools, that they will remain safe and be able to continue their studies.

We pray that the right person will be called to fill the vacancy in the Chartham and Upper Haldes with Stelling Benefice and give thanks for Rev Louise Vincer, Interim Priest in Charge, for her ministry and support during the vacancy.

We continue to pray for all who are unwell whether in mind body or spirit and for those who have lost loved ones and are grieving their loss. We pray Heavenly Father that you will reach out and touch each and every person with your loving hand at their own point of need.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Kericho - The Anglican Church of Kenya

REFUGEE PRAYER BANK

Our diocesan work with refugees is dynamic and diversified as we try to respond to specific needs of those who are forcibly displaced.

When there is an emergency, such as the current situation in Afghanistan, we liaise with foodbanks, clothes banks, toddlers' banks, and other agencies to jointly provide for what is needed.

Food, clothes, toys and toiletries are very important necessities preserving the dignity of people. However, how can we best respond to the spiritual needs of evacuees, asylum seekers and refugees? In the economy of solidarity and support, we have created a Prayerbank.

Our Diocesan Prayerbank aims to offer a personalised space for spiritual healing and comfort for evacuees, refugees, and asylum seekers. It allows for a space where prayers are offered and received.

We hope that it will be comforting for newcomers, whose home is no more and whose future feels so uncertain, to find rest in a prayer that someone has written for them. We also think that it will be wonderful for someone with a prayer to give to provide a space for the prayer to be found.

The Prayerbank might also be very helpful in times of tension and discouragement for those in our parishes working with refugees and the marginalised. It will remind us that we are not alone.

DONATE A PRAYER

We are calling for prayers coming from anyone and anywhere in our Church family. Prayers for children and young people are so desperately needed.

Please send your prayers to Domenica, your Kent Refugee Officer at dpecoraro@diocant.org

When sending your prayer, you can include your first name and the name of your parish. If you are sending the prayer of a child, please only include their first name and age.

Prayers will be appear below and the link (www.canterburydiocese.org/prayer-bank) would be shared routinely to reach as many people as possible.

Thank you!

Bountiful God,
You welcome us with lavish kindness,
And send us to a world in need.
Teach us the joyful paradox of generosity,
That in giving we receive,
And in sharing we find treasure.
Amen.

Prayer is the place where our hearts are opened to receive, our
souls stirred to worship and our hands warmed to give.

Try asking these questions as you pray, noticing where the Spirit
leads you in response:

- What is God giving me?
- What might I give to God?
- What is God prompting me to give away?

Change the 'me' to 'us' and ask the questions together as church.



For more information about Keep Praying, visit
canterburydiocese.org/keep-praying.

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Prayer Network, visit canterburydiocese.org/prayer or email
lbywater@diocant.org

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