Sunday 5th PENTECOST SUNDAY

'When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.'

Monday 6th

Lord of Power, just as the outpouring of Your Holy Spirit on Pentecost so drastically changed the lives of the disciples, may the burning fire of Your Holy Spirit refine and renew us, so that we will never be the same. May we move in the power of the Spirit, and may our lives and ministries be infused with Your divine, supernatural touch and authority. May the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation cause us to grow in our knowledge of You. Amen.

Tuesday 7th Tuesday Blessings

Heavenly Father we take upon ourselves the authority of Jesus delegated to us and in his name we speak a blessing to every household in our parish.

We bless you in the name of the Lord. We bless your marriages that they may be strong and whole. We bless the relationship between each marriage partner that it may be loving. Forgiving, merciful and strong. We bless each intergenerational relationship in each household that there may be peace and love and understanding flowing between each one.

Wednesday 8th

Pray for the churches of St. Luke and St. Thomas and all who worship and serve in them. Pray God's blessing on Vicky, George and Marie as they mi9nister to both churches. Pray God's blessing on all who lead and play a part in the worship of the church. Hold 5 people from the congregation in your heart and pray God's blessing on them.

Thursday 9th

Pray for our local council and the County Council as they seek to discharge their duty to provide social care for vulnerable adults across Staffordshire and to give support for those who care for them. Pray for the Children and Families Social Work Teams providing advice, support and social work to needy families.

Friday 10th

Pray for the work of USPG an Anglican mission agency supporting churches around the world in their mission to bring fullness of life to the communities they serve. USPG encourages and enables churches within the Anglican Communion to act as the hands and feet of Christ. Pray for the USPG missioners working in UK parishes.

Saturday I Ith ST BARNABAS DAY

In the book of Acts Barnabas is seen as a great encourager and comforter to others. On St Barnabas Day we pray for the many care homes and hospices named after him. Give thanks and pray for the nurses and staff of all St Barnabas Hospices. Pray for the patients and their families as they share their loved ones final days.

Sunday 12th TRINITY SUNDAY

O God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in whose name we are baptized and into whose fellowship we have been received. We praise you Father, for having loved us, sending your Son to die for our sins. We praise you dear lesus, for having redeemed us from our sins by sacrificing yourself for us. We praise you, Holy Spirit, for having sanctified us for you gave us faith and through faith cleansed us from sin. O Triune God, enable us always to believe and obey, and to worship and confess you; Creator, Redeemer and Sanctified, one God, eternal and all-glorious forever. **Amen.**

Monday 13th

Pray for Oxfam Water Week highlighting the charity's work in supporting, sanitation and hygiene promotion projects around the world. Diseases from unsafe water and lack of basic sanitation kill more people each year than all forms of violence, including war. Pray that more and more people around the world can get access to a clean water supply.

Tuesday I4th Tuesday blessings

Heavenly Father we take upon ourselves the authority of Jesus delegated to us and in his name we speak a blessing on our local doctors, nurses, district nurses, midwives, carers and the staff of Cannock hospital as they all minister to people. We pray that they may have wisdom, guidance, gentleness and understanding for their patients.

Wednesday 15th Blood donor day

The aim of this day is to raise global awareness of the need for safe blood and blood products for transfusion, to highlight the critical contribution voluntary, unpaid blood donors make to national health systems and to encourage people to become blood donors. Pray for those who suffer from conditions such as sickle cell disease or haemophilia and need to have regular blood transfusions.

Thursday 16th

Pray for the nation of Ukraine as it continues to resist Russian attempts to occupy Ukraine towns and territory. Pray for their armed forces on the frontline many of them making the ultimate sacrifice protecting their homeland. Pray for the hospitals, doctors and nurses caring for casualties in the face of a shortage of medical supplies.

Friday 17th

Pray for Marie and the other ordination candidates who will be ordained priests by the Bishop of Wolverhampton at the service taking place in St. Luke's church tomorrow. Pray God's blessing on all the candidates as they begin their ministry as priests in their parishes. Hold Marie in your thoughts and prayers as she takes the next step on the journey God has mapped out for her.

Saturday 18th

Pray the parish prayer on the front cover as preparation for your time of worship tomorrow and pray for Marie our new priest.

Sunday 19th Praying for persecuted Christians

Today we pray that God would give courage, peace, and even joy to persecuted Christians to stand strong amidst suffering. We pray for those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since we also are in the body Lord, deliver our brothers and sisters from the hand of the enemy and let your sovereign power be known. You have unique and powerful purposes for both the free and persecuted church — we pray for perseverance in seeing those purposes through.

Monday 20th World refugee week

Pray for all who are refugees from their own country fleeing violence and intolerance and are in fear for their lives. One per cent of the world's population - or one in 97 people - have been forced to flee their homes according to the UN Refugee Agency. This has nearly doubled compared to ten years ago and 40 per cent of this group are children. Pray for all the agencies trying to help, support and find a safe haven for refugees.

Tuesday 21st Tuesday blessings

Heavenly Father we take upon ourselves the authority of Jesus delegated to us and in his name we speak a blessing on all the businesses in the parish. We pray that they will flourish and that employee, employer relationships will be wholesome, fair and full of integrity.

Wednesday 22nd

Pray today for the Anthony Nolan Trust, the UK blood cancer charity and bone marrow register. Give thanks for all donors on their register. Pray for children waiting for a bone marrow transplant donor. Give thanks for the doctors and surgeons and nurses caring for the patients.

Thursday 23rd

Pray for the parish team, members of the Leading Evangelism learning hub, who took part in the second online session today. Pray God's blessing on them, that they will have gained valuable insights to share with the PCC and the congregation with regard to practical ways in which the whole church can be involved in sharing the good news of Jesus.

Friday 24th Birth of John the Baptist

John proclaimed Jesus as the Saviour of the world pray this Church Missionary Society prayer for its missionaries. God of love, whose will it is that everyone should be saved, bless the Church Missionary Society and those who have gone out in its fellowship to preach, to teach and to heal. Guard, guide and use them; raise up more people in your worldwide church to pray and to work, to care and to understand, to give to you and to go for you, that your church may grow, your will be done, your kingdom come, and your glory be revealed. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saturday 25th

Pray the parish prayer on the front cover as preparation for your time of worship tomorrow.

Sunday 26th

Trusting in you Lord, we join one another as a community, a community of faith on a journey to grow ever deeper in our faith, and in our desire to know and love you. Remind us of your Love, of your sacrifice for us, of your continuing presence with us. Let us never lose hope along the way, help us to be strong in Faith and in Love. We pray that in the Love and Grace that you pour upon us, we may have the courage to share our Faith with others. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. **Amen**

Monday 27th

Pray for our local Cannock Policing Team keeping the streets safe for residents at all times and dealing with crime and disturbances in the area. The team are there to listen to concerns and act upon the issues that matter most to the community, helping everyone to feel more confident and safe.

Tuesday 28th Tuesday blessings

Heavenly Father we take upon ourselves the authority of Jesus delegated to us and in his name we speak a blessing on all Christians in our parish and say that we bless you in the name of the Lord that the Holy Spirit and the Word of God will flow out from you in power. We bless the hearts of all who live in our parish that they may be quickened to hear and respond to the voice of the living God.

Wednesday 29th St. Peter and St. Paul

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 forever. Amen

Thursday 30th

Pray for the work of organisations such as Stop the Traffik, combating human trafficking and slavery.

Human trafficking and modern slavery are thought to be amongst the most widespread crimes in the world, affecting millions of men, women and children each day. Pray for the 10,000 people caught up in modern slavery in the UK.

St. Luke Cannock and St. Thomas Huntington PRAYER NETWORK

PRAYER DIARY JUNE 22



Parish Prayer

Glorious Trinity, Make your presence
known to us through our worship, our prayer
and in the reading of your Holy Word.
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
within whose unity lies all that is you,
perfect love, justice, peace, and power.
When we gather as your body, your church
throughout this world, fill our outstretched hearts
with your spirit, encircle us with your love.
Make yourself known to us in new ways, exciting ways,
challenging ways. Empower us, inspire us
and so fill us with your Spirit that following the example
of the first disciples we may witness to Jesus
boldly and without fear.
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen