

# Cycle of Prayer

01 - 31 August 2024

01 August 2024

**Newton in Mottram with Flowery Field**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Sheila O'Flaherty

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Linda Marshall

Please pray for our ongoing work to raise money for the church and our work in the graveyard. Please also pray for our new activities including the drop-in.

**Anglican Communion:** Hong Kong Island, Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

02 August 2024

**Stalybridge Holy Trinity**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Gary Kennaugh, Revd Charlie Laver

**Lay Workers:** Mr Barry Edge, Mr Chris Gascoigne, Mr Clive Hustwick, Mr David Monday

**Anglican Communion:** the Horn of Africa, The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

03 August 2024

**Stalybridge St Paul**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Emma Handley

**Lay Workers:** Mr John Clements, Mrs Jacintha Manchester, Ms Helen Whitelegg

The ongoing success of our new Bubble Church as a way to engage with young families in our community. Pray for funds to be generated to restore our bells, a huge undertaking for our church.

**Anglican Communion:** Hpa-an, The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

04 August 2024

**Praying for our deacons**

We pray for those recently ordained as deacon in the diocese.

Elle Bird - Hurdsfield Holy Trinity

Kathryn Elsmore - Lache cum Saltney St Mark

Andrew Field-Davies - Bebington St Andrew

Sandra Fletcher - Birkenhead Priory Christ the King

Dave Hill - Romiley St Chad

Gaynor Kydd - Thurstaston St Bartholomew

Heidi Munn - Norbury Hazel Grove St Thomas

Denise Noble - Chester, Christ Church

Rachel Pendleton Sandbach St Mary

Sam Rowan Rock Ferry St Peter

*Through your Spirit, heavenly Father, give these your servants grace and power to fulfil their ministry. Make them faithful to serve and constant in advancing your gospel in the world. May they follow the example of Jesus Christ your Son, who washed the feet of his disciples, and set the needs of others before his own. May their life be disciplined and holy, their words declare your love and their actions reveal your glory, that your people may walk with them in the way of truth and be made ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever. Amen*  
(From the Common Worship service for the ordination of deacons)

Please pray for our...

**Anglican Communion:** The Anglican Church of Kenya

05 August 2024

**Tintwistle**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Rev Bruce Perrin

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Joyce Blundell

Pray for effective outreach to the community, growth of work in the Schools, and for growth in faith in the worshipping community.

**Anglican Communion:** Huron, The Anglican Church of Canada

06 August 2024

**Backford**

Please pray for our new vicar who was installed in the parish towards the end of July and who will be working part time. Please also pray for growth of both our congregation and families in the area. We also pray for baptism families that our coming up.

**Anglican Communion:** Hyderabad, The Church of Pakistan (United)

07 August 2024

**Bromborough**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Jennie Gillies

Please pray for the development of our community care network ministry, for God's protection around the leadership team and for continuing numerical growth.

**Anglican Communion:** Ibadan, The Church of Nigeria

08 August 2024

**Burton**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd John Coyne

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Ruth Abbott, Mr Basil Keys, Mr John Morris-Best, Mrs Ann Rudd

**Anglican Communion:** Ibadan North, The Church of Nigeria

09 August 2024

**Capenhurst**

Please pray for growth of both our congregation and families in the area. We also pray for baptism families that our coming up. Please also pray for our new vicar who was installed in the parish towards the end of July and who will be working part time.

**Anglican Communion:** Ibadan South, The Church of Nigeria

10 August 2024

**Eastham**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Beth Glover

**Lay Workers:** Mr Andrew Bradley-Gibbons, Mr David Colenso, Mrs Simone Llewellyn, Mrs Nikki Matthews Mrs Anne York

**Anglican Communion:** Ibba, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

11 August 2024

### **Praying for our priests**

We pray for those recently ordained as priests in the diocese.

Mrs Jane Addenbrooke – Birkenhead Priory and St James with St Bede, Birkenhead

Mrs Margaret Byrne – Whitegate, St Mary with Little Budworth, St Peter

Mr Andy Crook – Stockport and Brinnington, St Mary

Mrs Jenny Eades – Bollington, St Oswald

Mrs Anees Gill – Ashton upon Mersey, St Mary Magdalene

Miss Ruth Gray – Stockton Heath, St Thomas

Mr Joe Hadfield – New Ferry, St Mark the Evangelist

Miss Kate Pwaishio – Grappenhall, St Wilfrid

Mrs Jane Mottram – Partington and Carrington, St Mary

Mrs Jo Pemberton – Hooton, St Paul

Mrs Amy Ruston – Alderley Edge, St Philip and St James

Miss Jill Williams – Wybunbury, St Chad and Audlem, St James the Great with Doddington, St

John the Evangelist

*Through your Spirit, heavenly Father, give these your servants grace and power to proclaim the gospel of your salvation and minister the sacraments of the new covenant. Renew them in holiness, and give them wisdom and discipline to work faithfully with those committed to their charge. In union with their fellow servants in Christ, may they reconcile what is divided, heal what is wounded and restore what is lost.*

*May they declare your blessings to your people; may they proclaim Christ's victory over the powers of darkness, and absolve in Christ's name those who turn to him in faith; so shall a people made whole in Christ offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to you, our God and Father, to whom, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever. Amen*

(From the Common Worship service for the ordination of priest)

We thank God for the life and ministry of Tom Ruston, ordained priest in June and recently deceased, praying as we do so for those who so very much mourn his passing.

Please pray for our...

**Anglican Communion:** The Anglican Church of Korea

12 August 2024

### **Ellesmere Port**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Gill Foster, Revd Ricky Montgomery, Revd Rachel Newell, Gordon Welch

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Kathryn Lyth, Mr Frank Mawdsley, Mrs Gemma Alexander-Bloomfield, Ms Charmaine Maw

Please pray for St Thomas as they take on the next steps of the Beacon project. Please pray for St Lawrence and the continual growth of their ABC service aimed at families.

**Anglican Communion:** Idah, The Church of Nigeria

13 August 2024

### **Great Saughall**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Alan Dawson, Revd Gareth Thomas

**Lay Workers:** Dr Robert Brook

The Jesus people of Saughall make the most of being a united community to grow in application of faith. So in a variety of ways they are catalysts to faith in Jesus, to all of Jesus' people.

**Anglican Communion:** Idaho, The Episcopal Church

14 August 2024

### **Great Sutton**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Antony Dutton

**Lay Workers:** Mr Nigel James

**Anglican Communion:** Ideato, The Church of Nigeria

15 August 2024

### **Hooton**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Jo Pemberton, Revd Mark Turner

For our schools, our children, our people, our clergy that we are kingdom focused. That God will make us uncomfortable in our struggles so that His change will take place.

**Anglican Communion:** Idoani, The Church of Nigeria

16 August 2024

### **Neston**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Kevin Crinks

**Lay Workers:** Mr Tony Cooke, Mr John Hart, Mrs Lesley Irvin, Mrs Elizabeth Joyce, Mr Richard Lewis

Please pray for us as we focus on a year of celebration for 2025 celebrating 150 years of the church building. Pray for strategic planning in terms of finance.

**Anglican Communion:** Ife, The Church of Nigeria

17 August 2024

### **Shotwick**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd John Coyne

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Ruth Abbott, Mr Basil Keys, Mr John Morris-Best

**Anglican Communion:** Ife East, The Church of Nigeria

18 August 2024

### **Praying for our bishops and senior clergy**

We pray for those who serve as bishops, archdeacons and dean in the diocese, for God to enable them to find times of rest and reflection over the summer.

*Bishop Mark*

*Bishop Julie*

*Bishop Sam*

*Mike Gilbertson, Archdeacon of Chester*

*Jane Proudfoot, Archdeacon of Macclesfield*

*Tim Stratford, Dean of Chester Cathedral*

*Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
and lighten with celestial fire;  
thou the anointing Spirit art,  
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.*

*Thy blessed unction from above  
is comfort, life and fire of love;  
enable with perpetual light  
the dullness of our blinded sight.  
Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
with the abundance of thy grace;  
keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
where thou art guide no ill can come.*

*Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
and thee, of both, to be but one;  
that through the ages all along  
this may be our endless song:*

*Praise to thy eternal merit,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.*

(From the Common Worship service for the consecration and ordination of bishops)

Please pray for our...

**Anglican Communion:** The Anglican Church of Melanesia,

19 August 2024

**Thornton Hough**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Vicky Barrett

Thanksgiving for God's faithfulness; energy for the new term ahead for our local school and church Toybox children's group; confidence to welcome all and see further growth.

**Anglican Communion:** Ifo, The Church of Nigeria

20 August 2024

**Willaston**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Lyndon Bannon, Revd Gordon MacLeod

**Anglican Communion:** Igbomina, The Church of Nigeria

21 August 2024

**Acton with Worleston**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Anne Lawson

Give thanks for the amalgamation of the parishes of Acton and Worleston. Please pray for the parish as we settle into a new way of being, and for Worleston as new ways of running the church continue to evolve.

**Anglican Communion:** Igbomina West, The Church of Nigeria

22 August 2024

**Audlem**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Alison Fulford, Revd Jill Williams

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Anne Draper

**Anglican Communion:** Ihiala, The Church of Nigeria

23 August 2024

**Baddiley**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Amanda Pike

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Elizabeth Falding, Mrs Cynthia Gorton, Dr Roger Howarth,

Pray for health of congregation as Covid has hit them. Please also pray for the ministry team.

**Anglican Communion:** Ijebu, The Church of Nigeria

24 August 2024

**Burleydam**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Amanda Pike

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Elizabeth Falding, Mrs Cynthia Gorton, Dr Roger Howarth, Mrs Debbie Rowlands

Please pray for the ministry team. Please also pray for the congregation's health as Covid has been prevalent.

**Anglican Communion:** Ijebu South West, The Church of Nigeria

25 August 2024

Praying for Church House, Bishop's House and Cathedral staff

We pray for those who serve in Church house, in Bishop's House and on the staff of the cathedral. We thank God for their faith, commitment and skill. We pray that through their ministries the churches, schools and chaplaincies of the diocese would flourish and 1.5 million people in the diocese would find forgiveness and new life in Christ. We thank God particularly for the work of George Colville, whose time as Diocesan Secretary concludes at the end of this month, praying that he would know God's peace and strength as he continues to serve Christ.

*Heavenly Father, may all who serve you in the Diocese of Chester humble themselves before you, putting their ministry in your able hands. Help them to focus on the work you have called them to do. Let their roles be aligned with your purpose for them; may they depend on your wisdom and your guidance and may their priority remain to help your church to walk in the way of Christ. Amen.*

Please pray for our...

**Anglican Communion:** La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico,

26 August 2024

**Church Minshull**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Anne Lawson

Give thanks for the way in which St Bart's continues to serve the community in which it sits. Please pray that we will be able to adapt in appropriate ways as the age profile of the community changes, particularly those children who were very young a few years ago become teenagers, that we might continue to serve all sections of the community.

**Anglican Communion:** Ijebu-North, The Church of Nigeria

27 August 2024

**Coppenhall**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Father John Leal, Revd Jonathan Roberts

St Michael's would like prayer about our future outreach plans and our work to develop our Youth ministry with our neighbouring parish St Barnabas. We also are praying about provision for some upcoming repairs on the Church.

**Anglican Communion:** Ijesa North East, The Church of Nigeria

28 August 2024

**Crewe, All Saints**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Peter Bennett, Revd Suzanne Eddleston

**Lay Workers:** Mrs Anne Marshall

Prayers during our time of vacancy and during this time of transition as curate in training is also moving on. Prayers for our continued work in parishes, local schools and care homes. Please also pray for our school hot lunch club.

**Anglican Communion:** Ijesha North, The Church of Nigeria

29 August 2024

**Crewe St Andrew with St John the Baptist**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Peter Bennett, Revd Suzanne Eddleston

Please pray for our continued work with care homes, local schools and parishes. Please also pray for our school hot lunch club. Please pray for us in this time of vacancy and also as our curate in training moves on.

**Anglican Communion:** Ijumu, The Church of Nigeria

30 August 2024

**Crewe St Barnabas**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Canon Ralph Powell

**Lay Workers:** Mr Mike Almond

**Anglican Communion:** Ika, The Church of Nigeria

31 August 2024

**Crewe, St Peter**

Please pray for our...

**Clergy:** Revd Peter Bennett, Revd Suzanne Eddleston

**Lay Workers:** Dr Jim Shepherd

Please pray for our continued work with parishes. Pray for us in this period of transition as we are in vacancy and as our curate in training moves on. Please also pray for our work in local schools and care homes, as well as our school hot lunch club.

**Anglican Communion:** Ikara, The Church of Nigeria