Cycle of Prayer 01 - 31 October 2024





Ashton Hayes

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Dr Phillip Weston

Lay Workers: Dr Alan Dowen, Mrs Margaret Papworth

Please pray for our 175th Anniversary celebrations, including a special service with Bishop

Mark on 20 Oct. Also for our new Messy Church starting in November.

Anglican Communion: The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

02 October 2024

Barrow

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Julian Osborne **Lay Workers:** Mr Martin Welch

Anglican Communion: Akoko Edo, The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

03 October 2024

Chester St John the Baptist

Please pray for our...

Lay Workers: Mr Keith Allen

Anglican Communion: Akot, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

04 October 2024

Chester Holy Trinity Without-the-Walls (Blacon)

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Tina Upton, Revd Anita Thomas

Lay Workers: Mrs Sarah Dutton, Mrs Lindsay Tanner

Please pray that our forthcoming art exhibition and art workshops will not only be a successful celebration of women's art, but also a good opportunity for faith-filled conversations with a wide range of the community.

Anglican Communion: Akure, The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

05 October 2024

Chester St Mary Without-the-Walls (Handbridge)

Please pray for our...

Lay Workers: Miss Linda Manning

Anglican Communion: Alabama, The Episcopal Church

06 October 2024

World mental health day

Today is Sunday, the 6th of October And we are praying for World mental health day.

A Prayer by Alison Webster.

God of compassion. You meant us to be both fragile and ordinary.

Silence the voices that say we are not good enough, haven't achieved enough,

haven't enough to show for our lives, that we are not enough.

Help us to know that we are treasure, we are prized, we are cherished, we are loved infinitely, by you.

So be with us in our corrugations of feeling. When our hearts are in downward freefall, be with us.

When our minds race with anxiety, be with us.

When our throats close in fear, be with us.

When sleep will not come, be with us.

When waking hurts, be with us.

In the name of Jesus, who knew trauma, abuse, despair and abandonment, and has nothing but love for us.

Amen

Please pray for our...

Anglican Communion: Alaska, The Episcopal Church

07 October 2024

Chester St Paul with St Luke

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Canon Andy Stinson

Lay Workers: Mrs Jenny Gilbertson, Mr John Somerville, Mr Keith Taggart, Mrs Marian Watts We pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit following our Mission Action Planning Day; may conversations grow into plans and plans into Kingdom Growth. We pray for our work with children and young people and our community café.

Anglican Communion: Saint Albans, The Church of England

08 October 2024

Christleton

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Dr Stefan Collier, Revd Tina Lightfoot

Lay Workers: Mrs Lesley Morgan

We pray for our church development project, giving thanks for our baptism and confirmation candidates, for our parish schools, for our bible study groups, for our preparation and walking with those who are dying.

Anglican Communion: The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East

09 October 2024

Dodleston

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Hana Amner

Anglican Communion: Albany, The Episcopal Church

10 October 2024

Eccleston & Pulford

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Dr Steve Torr

Lay Workers: Mrs Jeanette Howe

Anglican Communion: Algoma, The Anglican Church of Canada

11 October 2024

Guilden Sutton

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Sarah Batchelor, Revd Heather Carty

Anglican Communion: All Saints, The Anglican Church of Kenya

Hoole

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Craig Gaudion

Lay Workers: Ms Vicki Bulgin, Mr Bill Holt, Mrs Tina Trevett, Canon Dr Jeff Turnbull Please pray that God would raise up new leaders. That he would continue to show us how we truly bless our parish and wider community.

Anglican Communion: Aluakluak, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

13 October 2024

Black History Month

If you really fulfil the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. lames 2:8-9

Bible scripture evidences how we need to be as a people in order for God's mission to be truly fulfilled. We were not designed to show any racial bias towards anyone as God made us all in his image. If we truly believe that we all come from our heavenly Father above, we will understand that we are all crafted beautifully and equally in the eyes of God. For He looks upon the heart of the individual and not the outward physiognomy. Thus, we must strive to be impartial in how we view God's varied spectrum of races and ethnicities. In Black History Month and beyond, we pray that our churches and societies will have the confidence to advocate for racial justice, not being complicit with racial bias and partiality.

Compassionate God, who sent Jesus Christ to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities, create in us new hearts and enlarged visions, to see the image of God in every person irrespective of background, race and ethnicity. Forgive us for when we have shown partiality or been complicit with racial injustices. Help us to strive towards unity in our diversity. May we be generous in our love of others as we work towards ending misunderstanding, racism and injustice; creating communities of human flourishing, 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 forever.

Amen

Please pray for our...

Anglican Communion: Amazônia, Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Kelsall

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Susan Banks **Lay Workers:** Mr John Diggle

Praying for our new Occasional Worship Leaders (Owls) as they begin their ministry this month. Also for our work with Kelsall Primary School in connecting with children and families.

Anglican Communion: Amichi, The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

15 October 2024

Lache cum Saltney

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Hennie Johnston, Revd Simon Chesters, Revd Liz Mills, Revd Kathryn Elsmore

Lay Workers:

Please pray for our on going Community Building Project as we await planning permission and confirmation from the DAC. Also we would appreciate prayer as our Debt Advice Centre move from the Church Centre into another building in the Lache Estate. Lastly

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Kenya

16 October 2024

Plemstall

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Sarah Batchelor, Revd Heather Carty

Anglican Communion: Amritsar, The Church of North India (United)

17 October 2024

Tarvin

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Adam Friend, Revd Barbara King

Lay Workers: Mrs Mary Burgess, Mr Colin Haworth, Mrs Jo Richards

Anglican Communion: Andaman and Car Nicobar Islands, The Church of North India

(United)

18 October 2024

Upton-by-Chester

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Paul Newman

Lay Workers: Mrs Barbara Capstick

Anglican Communion: Saint Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, The Scottish Episcopal

Church

19 October 2024

Plas Newton

Please pray for our... **Clergy:** Revd Chris Jones

Lay Workers: Mrs Christine Blackmore, Mrs Julie Elison, Mr Trevor Park

Anglican Communion: Central and South Angola, Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Modern Day Slavery

What are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned them with glory and honour. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands' Psalm 8: 4-6

The Psalms tell us of the dignity and purpose of humanity in the intentions of God. We are meant to reflect the glory of God in our relationships and in our work. Slavery denies both of these, by removing the agency of the individual and the fruitfulness of their labour. On this day we pray for an end to Modern Day Slavery.

Holy God,

we repent of the part we have played in allowing this dreadful crime to become established in our communities. We are sorry for our apathy, indifference and busyness. We join our cries for help to all the hidden voices of your children suffering from criminal exploitation. As we learn to recognise and share their pain, may we be brought closer to all around us who are hurting in this way, so that together we may be ready to know your healing love.

We raise our prayers to you for the increasing number of victims of slavery and trafficking. Whisper hope into their ears and wipe away their tears. Help us see them and support them. Inspire our church communities to tackle the root causes of modern slavery so that hurt may be healed, despair becomes hope, and isolation become fellowship – through our suffering saviour, Jesus Christ,

Amen

Please pray for our...

Anglican Communion: Ankole, The Church of the Province of Uganda

21 October 2024

Chester Christ Church

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Glyn Jones, Revd Anna Leyden, Revd Denise Noble **Lay Workers:** Mrs Veronica Johnston, Mr Edward Newman

Anglican Communion: North Ankole, The Church of the Province of Uganda

22 October 2024

Chester St Oswald & St Thomas of Canterbury

Please pray for our...

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Korea,

23 October 2024

Chester St Peter

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Canon Michael Leyden, Revd Jonathan Phillips

Please pray for our cafe ministry to the city that we will have an abundance of volunteers and see many lives transformed by the love of Jesus. And, please pray for our upcoming building work on our East Wall!

Anglican Communion: Northwest Ankole, The Church of the Province of Uganda

Altrincham St George

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Claire Corley

Anglican Communion: South Ankole, The Church of the Province of Uganda

25 October 2024

Ashley

Please pray for our...

Anglican Communion: West Ankole, The Church of the Province of Uganda

26 October 2024

Ashton upon Mersey St Martin

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Catherine Cleghorn

Please pray that we continue to find new ways to bless the people in our parish and to share

the love of God with them.

Anglican Communion: Antananarivo, The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

27 October 2024

All Saints Sunday

'So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members fo the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.' Ephesians 2: 19 – 20

God has brought his people together in one body, across the world and through time. On and around All Saints Day, at the end of the church's year, we thank God for those who have trusted and served God in generations past, for their example of faith in Christ, generosity and perseverance. There may be individuals significant to us and our growth in faith who we remember with particular gratitude today. And as we remember them, we pray that we would imitate them and so be a godly encouragement to those who follow us.

Almighty God,

you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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,

Amen

Please pray for our...

Anglican Communion: Antsiranana, The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Ashton upon Mersey St Mary Magdalene

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Gill Anees, Revd Nathan Gregory, Revd Steve Rankin

Lay Workers: Mrs Mags Holt, Mr Brian Macfaden, Mrs Karen Macmillan, Mrs Ann McBurney,

Mrs Outi Rankin

Please pray for the Light Party next week where many people from the wider community usually attend, that they will know the light of Christ and for our preparations for a mission week in November being led by a team from Uganda.

Anglican Communion: Aotearoa, The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and

Polynesia

29 October 2024

Bowdon

Please pray for our...

Lay Workers: Mr John Fenton, Mrs Karen Wilson

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Melanesia

30 October 2024

Broadheath

Please pray for our... **Clergy:** Revd Daud Gill

Lay Workers: Mr Peter Johnson

Anglican Communion: Araucanía, Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

31 October 2024

Dunham Massey St Margaret

Please pray for our...

Clergy: Revd Dave Murray

Anglican Communion: the Arctic, The Anglican Church of Canada