



Benefice of St Peter with St Philip, Bolton-le-Moors

Prayer Diary for September 2021



Welcome to the prayer diary for September – a month that has a feeling of new beginnings about it, even for those of us with no ties to schools or colleges. And as it is the start of the academic year, education is a focus in our prayers this month. Our hymn for Sundays, based on Psalm 27, is by Michael Perry. A suitable tune could be St. Clement (The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended).

Wednesday	01	All school children, especially those starting a new phase of their school career.
Thursday	02	Those involved in the formation and education of clergy
Friday	03	The Children's Society, the NSPCC and Childline.
Saturday	04	Ashton Bardsley & Joshua Fallows being married at the Parish Church today

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	05	<i>Safe in the hands of God who made me, what can there be that I should fear? God is my light and my salvation, strong is his help when foes are near.</i>
Monday	06	School and college chaplains and the Children Changing Places project.
Tuesday	07	The Tuesday Group meets today
Wednesday	08	Bolton Deanery Synod meeting this evening
Thursday	09	Those involved locally and nationally with shaping educational policy.
Friday	10	We give thanks for our friendship and partnership with the University of Bolton
Saturday	11	Heritage Open Day – we pray for our visitors and all who will be welcoming them.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	12	<i>This I have prayed and will seek after, that I may walk with God each day; then will he give me his protection, no trouble shall my heart dismay.</i>
Monday	13	People from across the diocese embarking on the Foundations for Ministry course.
Tuesday	14	Bolton Church Leaders
Wednesday	15	Students starting or returning to college and university courses.
Thursday	16	Those whose responsibility it is to review and inspect schools and colleges.
Friday	17	The 'Believe in Bolton' service to be held in the Parish Church this evening.
Saturday	18	Heritage Open Day

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity	19	<i>God of my life, my Lord, my master, father and mother now to me: come, shield me from the threat of evil, open your hands and set me free!</i>
Monday	20	Teachers, teaching assistants and all who support pupils in their learning
Tuesday	21	Matthew, apostle and evangelist
Wednesday	22	Parish Church PCC meeting this evening
Thursday	23	St Philip's PCC meeting this evening
Friday	24	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Saturday	25	Children from our schools considering confirmation.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity	26	<i>Teach me your way and lead me onwards, save me from those who do me wrong; give me the grace to wait with patience, help me to trust, hold firm, be strong.</i>
Monday	27	Those recommissioned and newly commissioned as Authorised Lay Ministers (ALMs) in the diocese.
Tuesday	28	Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services.
Wednesday	29	St Michael and All Angels
Thursday	30	Headteachers and school governors.