

Cycle of Prayer - January 2023

With a focus on parishes and schools in Nuneaton Deanery

Sun 1

Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

On the first day of 2023 we ask for God's blessing on the year ahead. We give thanks for the Lord's faithfulness over the last year, for the disciples gathered and the communities transformed by reconciling love. We pray that we will be filled afresh with the Holy Spirit this year.

Mon 2

We pray for the Area Dean and Assistant Area Dean of Nuneaton: David Poultney, Gail Phillip.
*Basil the Great and Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishops, Teachers of the Faith
*Seraphim, Monk of Sarov, Spiritual Guide, 1833
*Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah, Bishop in South India, Evangelist, 1945

Tue 3

Chilvers Coton with Astley. Clergy: Frank Seldon; Jonathan Fryer; Rupert Allen. Reader: Peter Wrigley. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.

Wed 4

We pray for all pupils returning to school today for the new term, and for their teachers and school staff.

Thu 5

Nuneaton, St Nicolas and Horeston Grange. Clergy: Chris Routledge. Readers: John Hitchcock and Terry Lenton. We pray for God's blessing on the parishes, churches and all who serve them.
We pray for the Bishop's Core Staff Team which meets today.

Fri 6

The Epiphany

St James' CofE Academy, Bedworth. Headteacher: Jane Cook.
The Canons CofE Primary School, Bedworth. Headteacher: Michaela Fallon.
We pray for God's blessing upon all the children, parents, teachers, staff and governors.

Sat 7

We pray for Saints Nuneaton, a community enterprise led by Together for Change. Based in Nuneaton town centre, Saints aims to tackle unemployment and lack of education, enhance physical, mental and emotional wellbeing, and to inspire and connect people through the creative arts.

Sun 8

First Sunday of Epiphany

All Saints CofE Primary School and Nursery. Headteacher: Lisa Harrison.
Abbey CofE Infants School. Headteacher: Mrs R Horton. We pray for God's blessing upon all the children, teachers, staff and governors.

Mon 9

Weddington and Caldecote. Clergy: Chris Routledge, Adrian Guthrie, Martin Butt. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.

Tue 10

Nuneaton, St Mary the Virgin. Clergy: Roger Butcher, Brian Regan. Reader: Helen Allred. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645

Wed 11

We pray for God's blessing upon the church members and the local community. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Mary Slessor, Missionary in West Africa, 1915

Thu 12

Ansley and Arley. Clergy: Interregnum. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167
*Benedict Biscop, Abbot of Wearmouth, Scholar, 689

Fri 13

We pray for the Lay Chair of Nuneaton Deanery: David Spiers.
*Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith, 367
*Kentigern (Mungo), Missionary Bishop in Strathclyde and Cumbria, 603
*George Fox, Founder of the Society of Friends (the Quakers), 1691

Sat 14

Bedworth Team. Clergy: David Poultney, Ann Poultney, Paul Foster, Matthew Bull, Tris Peattie, Tim Mitchell. Readers: Dee Badland, Ruth Ison, Kathlene Farmer. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.

Sun 15

Second Sunday of Epiphany

Today is World Religion Day. Through a variety of events held around the globe, followers of every religion are encouraged to acknowledge the similarities that different faiths have. We pray for inter-faith understanding and harmony.

Mon 16 Hartshill and Galley Common. Clergy: Heather Barnes, Stacy Taylor. Readers: Nick Miles, Sally Young. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.

Tue 17 Fillongley and Corley. Clergy: Interregnum. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Antony of Egypt, Hermit, Abbot, 356
*Charles Gore, Bishop, Founder of the Community of the Resurrection, 1932

Wed 18 Bulkington. Clergy: Charles Higgins. Readers: Ken Sleeman, Sue Turner. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them. We pray for the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches (DAC).
*Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Thu 19 Atherstone. Clergy: Michael Brandsma. Reader: John Stock. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them. We pray for the Bishop's Core Staff Team which meets today.
*Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095

Fri 20 St Michael's CofE Academy. Headteacher: Chris Errington. St Nicolas CofE Academy. Headteacher: Mrs Thorpe. We pray for God's blessing upon all the children, teachers, staff, governors.
*Richard Rolle of Hampole, Spiritual Writer, 1349

Sat 21 Wolvey CofE Primary School. Headteacher: Mr Parker. We pray for God's blessing upon all the children, parents, teachers, staff and governors.
*Agnes, Child Martyr at Rome, 304

Sun 22 Mancetter. Clergy: Linda Mudd. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Vincent of Saragossa, Deacon, first Martyr of Spain, 304

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Mon 23 Today is the start of Cervical Cancer Prevention Week. Every day in the UK, nine women are diagnosed with cervical cancer, yet 75% of cervical cancers will be prevented by cervical screening. We pray that this week more women can learn about how they can reduce the risk of cervical cancer. We pray for the Diocesan Business Committee which meets this morning.

Tue 24 St Paul's CofE Primary School, Nuneaton. Headteacher: Mrs Eardley. We pray for God's blessing upon all the children, parents, teachers, staff and governors.
*Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1622

Wed 25 Bournebrook CofE Primary School, Fillongley. Headteacher: Nicola Smith. Queens CofE Academy, Nuneaton. Headteacher: Hannah Carvell. We pray for God's blessing upon all the children, parents, teachers, staff and governors.

The Conversion of Paul

Thu 26 Camp Hill. Clergy: David Poultney. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Timothy and Titus, Companions of Paul

Fri 27 Today is Holocaust Memorial Day. A day to remember the millions of people killed in the Holocaust and in subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. We pray for God to defend and protect all those who fall victim to the forces of evil and to give us the courage to stand against hatred and oppression.

Sat 28 Holy Trinity Attleborough. Clergy: Alison Evans. Reader: Eddie Brown. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Philosopher, Teacher of the Faith, 1274

Sun 29 Wolvey with Copston Magna and Withybrook. Clergy: Jonny Vaughan, Terry Colling. Reader: David Hopkins. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Mon 30 Exhall. Clergy: Gail Philip, Jo Parker. Readers: Chris Wilson, John Owen. We pray for God's blessing on the parish, the church and all who serve them.
*Charles, King and Martyr, 1649

Tue 31 We thank God for the George Eliot Hospital and the Mary Ann Evans Hospice. We pray for all patients, staff and volunteers. We pray for the Bishop's Study Day which takes place today.
*John Bosco, Priest, Founder of the Salesian Teaching Order, 1888