



Lichfield Diocesan Prayer Diary

w/b 24/06/2018

Sunday 24th June *Birth of John the Baptist*

Global: The Church of Nigeria- The Most Revd Nicholas Okoh Metropolitan
& Primate of all Nigeria & Bishop of Abuja

Companion Link: West Malaysia

Malaysia is seeing a change in federal government for the first time in 61 years. Pray for the new leadership team, that they will keep to their manifesto pledges and promises, and always put the people first. Pray for peace with justice, and fairness with equity.

Pray for Archbishop Moon Hing in the strategic role he fulfils in the wider Anglican Communion and for the team preparing to visit us for the East Meets West Discipleship event in July;

Pray for Revd Joshua Ong and Dss Woon Ying Peng at present on sabbatical in this Diocese that it will be for them a time of refreshment and inspiration.

Revd Philip Swan

Local: Transforming Communities – thank God for the many ways in which Christians across the diocese, individually and together with others, express the love of God for the whole world. Pray for all those connected with the Transforming Communities department as they seek to encourage and support these ministries.

Today: Pray for those to be ordained at services in the Diocese; Uttoxeter S. Mary (15.00), Revds Vivienne Starkie, Andrew Walker-Cotes and Benjamin Care and at Ettingshall Holy Trinity (15.00), Revd Adam Edwards

Monday 25th June

Global: Dunedin - Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia The Rt Revd Steven Benford

Local: Wolverhampton S. Matthew in the deanery of Wolverhampton
Vicar- The Revd Matthew Hird, Curate- The Revd Gayle Greenaway LLM- Mrs Linda Vawer,
CWs- Miss Clare Spooner, Mr Jack Hedger,

Pray for the adults and children who have recently been baptised and pray for the Revd Gayle Greenway as she newly ordination to the priesthood on 23rd June. In your prayers remember our Ministry Leadership Team, which was launched a year ago - that we will continue to grow as a team and become increasingly effective in enabling all of St Matthew's in their ministry.

The Revd Matthew Hird

Tuesday 26th June

Global: Dunkwa-on-Offin - (Ghana, West Africa) The Rt Revd Edmund Dawson Ahmoah

Local: Wolverhampton S. Peter Collegiate in the deanery of Wolverhampton
Team Rector- The Revd Preb David Wright
LLM- Mrs Valerie Fairclough

Today: 'Just put me in the bin'- A conference considering the theological and pastoral issues around funerals (9.45)

Wednesday 27th June

Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher of the Faith, 444, Ember Day

Global: Durgapur - North India The Rt Revd Probal Dutta

Local: The parish of Biddulph Moor and Knypersley in the deanery of Leek
Vicar- The Revd Darren Fraser, LLMS- Mr Reginald Gordon, Mr Terence Williams
CWs- Mr Reginald Gordon, Mrs Nita Nicholls

We give thanks for community life, and the way the people of Biddulph Moor continue to work together for the good of the village and area.

We give thanks to God for the Well-Come Cafe & Foodbank that run of a Monday morning from Knypersley Church, and especially for the opportunity to build relationships with the people of Knypersley.

We ask for a fresh move of the Holy Spirit in Biddulph Moor & Knypersley, that there may be an unprecedented move of God in the area, and a move of the people to God.

Revd Darren Fraser

Thursday 28th June *Irenæus, Bishop of Lyons, Teacher of the Faith, c.200;*

Global: Durham - The Rt Revd Paul Butler, Jarrow- The Rt Revd Mark Watts Bryant

Local: Bilston S Leonard in the deanery of Wolverhampton
Team Vicar- The Revd Simon Skidmore, OLM- The Revd Christopher Davies,
LLMs- Mr Philip Dooley, Mrs Amanda Mallen, Mr Michael Shelley-Smith, Mrs Peta Woodberry, CWs- Mr Brian wood, Mr Michael Shelley-Smith

Friday 29th June *Ember Day, Peter and Paul, Apostles*

Global: Dutse - (Kaduna, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Yesufu Lumu

Local: Ettingshall Holy Trinity in the deanery of Wolverhampton
Vicar-The Revd Damian Feeney, Associate Minister- The Revd Roger Gilbert
Curate- The Revd Adam Edwards
LLM- Mr Norris Hill, CWs- Mrs Janet Skidmore, Mr Michael Perks

Pray for Fr Adam Edwards as he is ordained priest and for Jane Scott, completing Reader Training. In your prayers remember our projects to improve access to the church, and to enhance our ministry of hospitality. Pray for fruitfulness from our 'Third Sunday' faith exploration project.

The Revd Damian Feeney

Today: Pray for Richard Hume to be ordained at Longton S Mary and S Chad (19.00)

Saturday 30th June *Henry, John, and Henry Venn the younger, Priests, Evangelical Divines, 1797, 1813 and 1873 ; Ember Day*

Global: East Carolina - IV, The Episcopal Church The Rt Revd Robert Skirving

Today: Pray for those to be ordained as Deacons at Lichfield Cathedral (11.00)
Revds Deborah Aitken, John Beswick Pallister, Rachael Farnham, Sara Humphries, Lisa Knight, Ian Macfarlane, Michael Shaw, David Sims, Robin Trotter, Lucinda Wray-Wear.

Special Focus: Armed Forces Day <http://www.armedforcesday.org.uk/>

Prayer for the week: Loving God, We thank you for the gift of prayer, That you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray. Teach us to pray, alone and with others, That in our churches, Diocese and with your saints worldwide we may pray our part in the coming of your Kingdom. Amen

The Diocesan Prayer Diary is being reshaped to encourage wider use and reflect the new Diocesan focus on discipleship, vocation and evangelism. June will be the final month of the Prayer Diary in its present format. Many thanks to coordinators Clare Spooner and more recently Sally Churchill for their hard work and vocational engagement with this as a ministry. The relaunch of the prayer diary will take place in September. There will be no diary in July/August. In the meantime please use the [Anglican Cycle of Prayer](#) and send any feedback to comms@lichfield.anglican.org