

# Lichfield Diocese Prayer Diary

discipleship  
vocation  
evangelism

## Sunday

Coming up this week we pray for:

- Church Planting Conference (9th)
- Archdeacons' Meeting (10th)
- Diocesan Synod (13th)
- Walking Together - Celebration of Black History Month (13th)

## Monday

Shrewsbury

**Benefice:** Lilleshall and Muxton

(Lilleshall S.Michael and All Angels, Muxton S.John the Evangelist)

**Who:** Revd Matthew Lefroy, Revd Jane Evans and all those involved in leading the church community

**D:** We pray for the small groups in Lilleshall and Muxton, and especially for those who have recently joined small groups or who attend the "Good Morning Sunday" breakfast event, that they are supported and encouraged in their walk with Jesus.

**V:** We pray for the team of lay ministers, preachers and leaders as they encourage others to respond to the call of Jesus Christ to each one of us wholeheartedly.

**E:** We pray for plans in the Benefice for a weekend of mission in June 2019 at Muxton and an outreach event at Lilleshall Abbey over Christmas; and for greater confidence and boldness in speaking to neighbours about Jesus in both parishes.

## Tuesday

Chaplaincy: Prisons

**D:** We pray for the Chaplains at HMP Oakwood. We ask that you will bless their work and help them to encourage and bring hope to those at the prison. May they see fruit from their work and lives dramatically changed by the love of Jesus.

**V:** Lord, may you bless and equip all those who work with offenders at every stage of the justice process. May you keep them safe and protected and may they find new energy and enthusiasm for their work. May your light shine through dark situations and may your hope bring change and life.

**E:** We pray for all those who work and support those at HMP Featherstone and we ask that you would bring light and life. May you bring encouragement and light to the situations that all the offenders are facing.

## Wednesday

Wolverhampton

**Benefice:** Hints

(Hints S.Bartholomew)

**Who:** Revd Jason Phillips and all those involved in leading the church community

**D:** Lord we pray for the 'Deep Calls to Deep' – the Rabbi & the Bishop in Conversation that is taking place this month. May you encourage people to attend and may it be a time of learning and growth for all. May you also bless all those who attend the bible study house groups and Sunbeams.

**V:** Lord, we ask that you would help all who live and work in the benefice to find ways they can serve you at work, at church and in the wider community.



**E:** We pray for all activities that reach out to others. In particular we ask that you would bless the bell ringers, bridge with friends, whist for pleasure, and all those involved with the coffee shop. We also pray for the Harvest services taking place in Hints and other local churches.

## Thursday

*Central Sector*

**D:** We thank you for the daily discipleship opportunities that exist across the Diocese. We pray that those who work in Central Sector would have soft hearts and openness to growing more as disciples as they support others.

**V:** We thank you for all everyone that the Vocations and Training Team are working with to explore their calling. Give the team wisdom and grace as they advise people from across the Diocese.

**E:** We pray you would bless the work of the Mission Team as they seek to encourage others to share their faith. We pray in particular for the fruitful roll-out of the Talking Jesus course in churches in our Diocese.

## Friday

*Stafford*

**Benefice:** Cheadle with Freehay

(Cheadle S.Giles the Abbot; Freehay S.Chad)

**Who:** Revd Nicola Grey and all those involved in leading the church community

**D:** Lord we ask that you would bless all your people in the benefice. May you encourage community and deepen relationships both inside and outside the church.

**V:** We pray that you would encourage all within the benefice to seek your path for their lives. May a culture of vocation develop and grow as people discern your call.

**E:** Lord, may you bless all activities which draw people to you. May your presence be felt in the lives and work of all who follow you, that they may draw others to you.

## Saturday

*Sabah and Singapore in the Province of S E Asia*

We give thanks for priority shown to deepening discipleship and a commitment to mission demonstrated by our Anglican brothers and sisters in Sabah and Singapore. In particular we pray for continuing inspiration and resourcing from the Sarang Community Church in Korea. We give thanks too for the various projects centred around the teaching of English in a missional context, praying particularly for the five Vision Schools in Tawau, for Bishop John Yeo, the principal Madam Lee Ping Chew and for John Edlin, based in Walsall, as he seeks to encourage young adults to participate in an English Camp in January in Tawau.

The Anglican Cycle of prayer can be accessed at <http://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer.aspx>