

Sunday
24th April.
2nd Sunday of Easter

ACTS 435

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As a charity we are seeing an increase in the need for help with rising living costs all over the UK. Please pray for those who are seeking our help as the costs continue to rise, and that our local Advocates can share God's love through their work.

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

Monday
25th April.
Mark the Evangelist

Spiritual Direction Network (SPIDIR)

The Revd Andrew De Smet (York), The Revd Mark Brosnan (Cleveland), The Revd Maggie Jeavons (East Riding).

Please pray for and give thanks for all offering the ministry of Spiritual Direction/Accompanying in the Diocese and pray for Andrew De Smet, Mark Brosnan and Maggie Jeavons as they refer people to spiritual directors in York, Cleveland and East Riding Archdeacons, and for God's gifts of discernment and wisdom. Pray too for the SPIDIR course and resource days for spiritual directors running at Wydale Hall.

Diocese of Lagos Mainland. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Tuesday
26th April.
George, martyr,
patron of England,
c.304

Chaplaincy

We pray for all those that serve as chaplains—in schools, prisons, healthcare and retail. We give thanks for their ministry, for the comfort and hope that they bring. May they be sustained in their work, find sources of nourishment when the days are long and difficult; may they bring your joy into the places they minister.

Diocese of Lagos West. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Wednesday
27th April.
Christina Rossetti,
poet, 1894

Diocesan Clergy Retirement and Widow(er)s' Officers

The Revd Ruth Newton (East Riding), The Revd Peter Bristow (Cleveland), The Revd Dianne Cox (York)

We give thanks for the retired clergy who continue to give unstinting service to their local parish communities. Pray for God's blessing on all those who are no longer in active ministry, including their spouses; for all clergy widows and widowers; for those who are struggling with poor health and have felt isolated during the last two years; and for the work of the Clergy Retirement Officers.

Diocese of Lahore. The (united) Church of Pakistan.

Thursday
28th April.
Peter Chanel,
missionary, martyr,
1841

Diocesan Board of Finance

Chair: Rodney Barton.

Please pray that the Board may be blessed with wisdom and insight as it determines how to respond to the financial challenges faced by the Diocese, particularly amidst the growing unease and angst around the cost of living and fuel poverty. We give thanks for all those—individuals and churches—who give so generously when life is so difficult.

Diocese of Lainya. The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

Friday
29th April.
Catherine of Siena,
teacher of the faith,
1380

Diocese of Manchester

The Rt Revd Dr David Walker.

The Diocese of Manchester is undergoing rapid change, accelerated by the pandemic. For a sustainable future, parishes are being organised into Mission Communities with a collaborative approach focusing upon mission. Give thanks for the resources God has provided his church, and pray for wise discernment in their use.

Diocese of Lake. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Saturday
30th April.
Pandita Mary
Ramabai, translator,
1922

Manchester Cathedral

The Very Revd Rogers Govender.

Manchester Cathedral is set in a busy city with the challenges of secularism, homelessness, and the state of the economy in the midst of the pandemic. We seek to be a welcoming community and space for all people and we work closely with colleagues of different faiths to build community cohesion in our very diverse city region and diocese. Our prayers are focused on: the recovery post pandemic for our city, in terms of the commercial and retail sector; for our growing city centre population; for our collaboration with the new city centre mission community and for new clergy and lay staff appointments in the summer. And we give thanks to the Lord for providing for our spiritual needs in a time of transition.

Diocese of Lango. The Church of the Province of Uganda.



Diocese of York Prayer Diary - April 2022

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Friday
1st April.
Frederick Denison
Maurice, priest, teacher
of the faith, 1872

Bishophorpe Palace

Pray for Archbishop Stephen and Rebecca, and for all the staff who work at Bishophorpe supporting the Archbishop in various ways. Pray for renewed connections and opportunity to rebuild relationships as we return to work after Covid, that we may support the Diocese and the Province through the ministry of the Archbishop, and that God's will may be done.

Diocese of Kondo. The Anglican Church of Tanzania.

Saturday
2nd April.

Guisborough Deanery

Area Dean: The Revd David Tembey; Lay Dean: Ed Evans; Secretary: Bruce Williams.

Please pray for us as we put together a workable Deanery Plan which will help all parishes with a vision to grow the Kingdom with the resources they have. Pray for Kirkleatham, St Hilda and St Cuthbert, now in vacancy, as we look to fill that post next year; and Easington with Liverton as we explore how to care for the people in these parishes.

Diocese of Kongor. The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

Sunday
3rd April.
5th Sunday of Lent.
Passiontide begins

St Cuthbert, Wilton

Focal Minister (Reader): Christine Hill; Churchwarden: Dorothy McKenna; Reader: Christine Fairless. Please pray for our mission weekend, 13th—15th May, which we have called All Things Bright and Beautiful as the theme will be our calling to care for God's creation. Please pray that we will be given the opportunity to engage with our parish, and that we may take the Good News to those we meet.

The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Monday
4th April.

Christ Church, Coatham; All Saints, Dormanstown; Coatham CE Primary

Clergy: The Revd Rebecca Haughty; Churchwardens: Syd Taylor, Graham Brimble, Dave Stones. As a Church we thank you for your prayers. Please pray for us as we seek further funds to continue the restoration work at Christ Church, Coatham, and for our outreach to the local community through our Church Shop, Foodbank, and in Coatham School. Please pray for Dave Stones in his Reader Training, and for Maggie Hadland who is undertaking the Stepping Up Course.

Diocese of Kontagora. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Tuesday
5th April.

All Saints, Easington; St Michael, Liverton; St Hilda, Liverton Mine; Easington CE Primary; Patrington CE Primary

Clergy: Vacancy; Churchwardens: Glenda Hudson, Vicky Rushin-Chape, Karen Ward.

Pray for the congregations and the children and families of the schools. May the good news of the Gospel give hope and light in the communities.

Diocese of Kootenay. The Anglican Church of Canada.

Wednesday
6th April.

St Leonard, Loftus-in-Cleveland; St Helen, Carlin How with Skinningrove

Clergy: The Revd Adam Gaunt; Reader: Jeanne Parncutt; Churchwardens: Vanessa Allanson, Jeanne Parncutt, Kathleen Marshall, Malcolm White.

Please pray for our work with children, young people, and families. Please remember in your prayers the younger members of our church family and especially those who attend our Sunday School, children's choir, and our junior altar servers.

Diocese of Eastern Kowloon. Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

Thursday
7th April.

Northern Church Leaders Retreat, 7-8 April

Pray for all churches in the north of England as the leaders gather together for an ecumenical retreat. Pray that God may bring together all those that believe in Him, that we may grow in courage and boldness in our witness to the Gospel, and that we may make known the love and generous mercy of God through our worship together.

Diocese of Western Kowloon. Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

Friday
8th April.

St Margaret, Brotton Parva; St Peter's CE Primary

Clergy: Fr Jonathan Rhodes.

We continue to ask for prayer for our 'Lifting the Vision' project as we look at how our church building can be adapted for Worship and public use. We give thanks for the staff and pupils of our Church Primary School and for Galileo MAT of which it is part. We give thanks for those pupils who were admitted to Communion last St Hilda's Day and for those to be admitted this coming St Peter's Day.

Diocese of Krishna-Godavari. The (united) Church of South India.

Saturday 9th April. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Lutheran pastor, martyr, 1945	Emmanuel, Saltburn-by-the-Sea; St Thomas, New Marske Clergy: The Revd Adam Reed. Please pray for the ministry and witness of Emmanuel Church, Saltburn and St Thomas' Church, New Marske. Give thanks for God's love and generosity, and ask God to open the hearts and minds of people in the community to the good news of Jesus Christ. Diocese of Bermuda Kubwa. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).
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Sunday 10th April. Palm Sunday	St Nicholas, Guisborough Clergy: The Revd Alison Phillipson, The Revd Marian Gardner, The Revd David Cook; Readers: Geoff Hill, Sue Hill; Churchwardens: Alwyn Jones, John Douglass. Please pray with us as we continue our emergence from the severe restrictions of Covid; for our Churchwardens and Readers and the valuable support they have offered the Rector during the past two years. We pray for those members of our congregation who are still very nervous about returning to church, and give thanks for the new people who have joined us as regular worshippers. We pray too that we would all put our trust in God as we journey into an uncertain future. The Church of North India (United).
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Monday 11th April. Monday of Holy Week	St Peter, Redcar Clergy: The Revd Andrew Greiff; Readers: Chris Bowers, Steven Graham; Churchwardens: Anne Hagen, Michael Williams. We give thanks for the joy of getting back to some sort of normality after Covid restrictions; for re-establishing connections in the wider community, especially schools; for our work alongside Footprints and The Trussell Trust reaching those who are struggling financially; for our plans and funding of extensive building repairs; and for The Revd Andy Greiff in his first year here, the Readers and the Churchwardens. Diocese of Kuching. The Church of the Province of South East Asia.
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Tuesday 12th April. Tuesday of Holy Week	St Mark, Marske-in-Cleveland Clergy: The Revd David Tembey, The Revd Stephen Fisher; Reader: Dr Janet Dack; Churchwardens: Sue Sotheran, Peter Tinkler. Pray for us as we slowly grow back our congregation, welcome new additions to our flock and complete the refurbishment of the White House so that it may once again be busy with church and community groups. Diocese of Kumasi. The Church of the Province of West Africa.
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Wednesday 13th April. Wednesday of Holy Week	St Cuthbert, Kirkleatham; St Hilda, Kirkleatham Clergy: Vacancy, The Revd Peter King, The Revd Billy Barnes; Reader: George Featherston; Churchwardens: Rob Nightingale, Sue Garner, Keith Simpson, Bruce Williams. Please could there be prayer for our parish as we enter a vacancy. There are many uncertainties with the regrouping of the Deanery. Please pray that we can still grow our congregations as we aim to serve out communities. Diocese of Kumi. The Church of the Province of Uganda.
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Thursday 14th April. Maundy Thursday	All Saints, Skelton with Upleatham; St Aidan, Boosbeck; St Chad, Lingdale Clergy: The Revd Valerie Haynes. Churchwardens Skelton Geoffrey Scott and Marian Calvert. Pray and give thanks for all those who support and serve the churches. Please pray for those afraid to come to church because of COVID will have the courage to return. Pray for an increase in the Stewardship and giving. Diocese of Kurunegala. Extra Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury.
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Friday 15th April. Good Friday	Diocese of York Generous Giving Team Adviser: Sammi Tooze. Please pray for the ministry of the Generous Giving team – for Sammi as she continues to embed a culture of joy and faith in giving, for Phil McBride as he prepares to begin his role in encouraging good giving practice, and for our family of churches as together we grow in Christ-like generosity to enable the ministries to which God calls us. Diocese of Kushtia. The (united) Church of Bangladesh.
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Saturday 16th April. Easter Eve	North Holderness Deanery Area Dean: The Revd Shirley Hebden; Lay Dean: John Robinson. Please pray for all our clergy and laity as we listen to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and envisage a new vision for this small Deanery. We pray for the continued good relationships with our local schools and for the renewed outreach to our communities as we move forward safely together. Diocese of Kutigi. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).
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Sunday 17th April. Easter Day	Easter Day God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. The Church of Pakistan (United).
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Monday 18th April. Monday of Easter Week	St Bartholomew, Aldbrough; St Giles, Goxhill; All Saints, Mappleton; St Alban, Withernwick Clergy: Vacancy; RPA: Antoinette Butlin; Worship Leaders: Jacqueline Phillips, Antoinette Butlin; Churchwardens: Antoinette Butlin, Christine Longstaff, Ruth Skinner, Brian Rhodes, Anne Wood, Alan Monk. May God's Grace surround us during this period of Interregnum as we continue to bring Holy Communion to our faithful communities. We give thanks for our volunteers; the Food Bank; Chill Out Group, and all who ensure our churches run smoothly. Diocese of Kwara. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).
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Tuesday 19th April. Tuesday of Easter Week	St Margaret, Long Riston; All Saints, Rise; St Augustine, Skirlaugh; St James, Ellerby; St Mary, Swine; St Michael, Catwick; St John the Baptist, Bewholme; St Lawrence, Sigglesthorpe; Riston CE Primary; Sigglesthorpe CE Primary; Skirlaugh CE Primary Clergy: Vacancy, The Revd Lawrence Trender. Help me, God, to remember to be kind and patient to the people who love me, and to those who work with me too. Teach me to see all the beauty that I so often ignore, and to listen to the silent longing of my own soul. Diocese of Kwoi. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).
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Wednesday 20th April. Wednesday of Easter Week	St Andrew, Foston on the Wolds; St Leonard, Beeford; St James, Lissett; St Nicholas, Dunnington; St Elgin, North Frodingham; St Mary, Brandesburton; Holy Trinity, Leven; Beeford CE Primary; Leven CE Primary Clergy: The Revd James Grainger-Smith. It is expected that our incumbent, The Revd James Grainger-Smith, will be moving to a new post in the summer. We would appreciate prayer for our parishes as they enter Interregnum; for those formulating the new Deanery Plan - including the Area Dean, The Revd Shirley Hebden - and for the future shape of ministry here. Diocese of Kyoto. The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.
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Thursday 21st April. Thursday of Easter Week	St Lawrence, Atwick; St Nicholas, Hornsea; All Saints, Skipsea Clergy: The Revd Tina Minett Stevens, The Revd Susan Walker, The Revd Lynn Hellmuth; Churchwardens: Sallie Hammond, Maureen Sampson, John Moss, Judi Pring, Keith Rhodes, Cheryl Usher, John Robinson. We thank God for our ecumenical partners, for the 'Families at 3' after-school club in Hornsea and for growing the relationships with our schools. Please pray for us as we seek to serve our wider communities through living Christ's story every day; for all the voluntary work undertaken by our congregations across our town and villages; and for the pupils, students and staff of Hornsea Community Primary School, Hornsea Burton and Skipsea Primary Federation, and Hornsea School and Language College/our local schools. Diocese of Kyushu. The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.
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Friday 22nd April. Friday of Easter Week	Diocesan Companion Link The Revd Canon Maggie McLean It was with great joy that a new covenant was signed between ourselves and the three dioceses in South Africa. Please pray during this difficult time for all within Table Bay, Saldana Bay and False Bay as people make the slow return to worship in churches. Pray too for our links as we plan how we develop and take forward our links post Covid. Diocese of Lafia. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).
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Saturday 23rd April. Saturday of Easter Week	St George's Day Pray that we may be courageous in seeking to live out the Gospel message of justice for all people and the flourishing life for the world. Pray that God may make us bold in our search for the good news of the Gospel and what it means to become more like Christ, that we may seek out the poor and widows and orphans, the marginalised and the vulnerable, and have compassion to feed them, clothe them and bind their wounds. Diocese of Lagos. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).
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