

Intercession List for March 2021

Please pray for:

Diocesan Bishop: Bishop David

Bishop of Bolton: Bishop Mark

Bishop of Middleton: Bishop Mark

Archdeacons: Jean Burgess, Karen Lund, David Sharples.

Bishop of Beverley: Bishop Glyn

Bishop of Maidstone: Bishop Rod

Dean: Rogers Govender

Also:

Our companion Link Dioceses of:

Namibia, the clergy and people, together with their bishop, the Rt Revd Luke Lungile Pato. (N)

Lahore, the clergy and people, together with their bishop, the Rt Revd Irfan Jamil. (L)

Our partnership with the Diocese of Tampere, Finland, (Porvoo Communion) the clergy and people together with their bishop, the Rt Revd Matti Repo. (P)

Our historic friendship with the Diocese of Melbourne, Australia, the clergy and people, together with their bishop, the Most Revd Philip Freier and the regional bishops.

Note: entries marked (Porvoo) are taken from 'The Porvoo Churches Invitation to Prayer'.

Entries marked (ACP) are taken from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer.

Parishes are prayed for daily in the Cathedral at Evensong or Evening Prayer, using this list. Clergy and parishioners are welcome to attend on any day, and especially when their parish or benefice is remembered.

- 1 Mon *David, Bishop of Menevia, Patron of Wales, c601.*
Walmersley Road, Bury (Benefice) comprising St John with St Mark, Bury; Christ Church Walmersley: Revd Dave Thompson. St John with St Mark CE Primary School, Bury.
Pray for all those who feel lonely as a result of lockdown and that their pastoral care will reach out to all who are in need within the communities they serve.
Tampere Link: Pray for children and young people spending much of their time at home due to Covid - especially when home is not a safe place; for churches ministering to these young people.
ACP: The Diocese of Armidale – The Anglican Church of Australia (New South Wales Province).
- 2 Tues *Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, Missionary, 672.*
St Mary the Virgin, Bury: Revd Julian Heaton, Revd Sheila Beattie.
Bury Church of England High School.
We give thanks for all that they have been able to do during the pandemic and for the generous energy of those offering pastoral care, IT support and worship.
ACP: The Diocese of Arochukwu / Ohafia – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Aba Province).
- 3 Wed St Paul, Bury: Revd Julian Heaton, Revd Sheila Beattie. St Paul's CE Primary School, Bury.
Pray for their school, its staff and pupils as well as their church; for its faithful congregation and those who worked so hard to sustain life.
ACP: The Diocese of Aru – Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.
- 4 Thurs Ramsbottom and Edenfield Team comprising Edenfield; St Andrew, Ramsbottom; St John and St Paul, Ramsbottom; St Philip, Stubbins: Revd Andy Lindop, Revd Sue Wood, Revd Les Hallam. Reader: Jane Thompson.
Edenfield CE Primary School; St Andrew's CE Primary School, Ramsbottom.
We give thanks for all who have helped sustain their spiritual lives through lockdown and pray for wisdom as they look to the future.
ACP: The Missionary Diocese of Asaba – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Bendel Province).
- 5 Fri Kirklees Valley comprising All Saints, Elton and St James, Woolfold: Revd Simon Cook.
Pray for the Parish of Kirklees Valley, for the bonds between them to be strengthened rather than weakened as they meet online and onsite.
ACP: The Diocese of Asante-Mampong – The Church of the Province of West Africa (Ghana Province).

- 6 Sat St Stephen, Elton: Revd Paul Sanderson. St Stephen's CE Primary School, Elton.
Pray for this parish.
ACP: The Diocese of Saint Asaph – The Church in Wales.
- 7 Sun **The Third Sunday of Lent.**
ACP: The Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.
Porvoo: Church of England: Diocese of Chelmsford, Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop-designate of Chelmsford, Bishop John Perumbalath, Bishop Roger Morris, Bishop Peter Hill. Church of Sweden: Diocese of Karlstad, Bishop Sören Dalevi.
- 8 Mon *Edward King, Bishop of Lincoln, 1910. Felix, Bishop, Apostle to the East Angles, 647. Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy, Priest, Poet, 1929.*
Holcombe and Hawkshaw comprising Emmanuel, Holcombe; St Mary, Hawkshaw: Emmanuel Church Centre: Revd Paul Sumsion, Revd Robert Airey, Revd Vic Fletcher. Revd Ian Fleming. Readers: Ethel Haughton, Jane Fletcher.
Emmanuel Holcombe CE Primary School; St Mary's CE Primary School, Hawkshaw.
Pray for their engagement with community post-covid, also for their preaching, teaching and mission alongside Churches Together in Ramsbottom over the coming weeks.
Namibia Link: Pray for the country of Namibia and our links with the diocese.
ACP: The Diocese of Athabasca – The Anglican Church of Canada (Rupert's Land Province).
- 9 Tues St Anne, Tottington: Revd Hugh Bearn, Revd Richard Moffat. Readers: Nick Bebb, Isobel Hinchcliffe.
Grateful thanks to benefactors, RA Team and those who have worked so hard to ensure that the Church has been accessible to all throughout the last year.
ACP: The Diocese of Athoos – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Jonglei Province).
- 10 Wed Christ Church, Walshaw: Revd Steve Openshaw. Reader: Jeanette Howe. Christ Church CE Primary School, Walshaw.
Pray for them as they revisit their Vision and Mission Action Plan, and thank God for the numerous folk involved in various lay ministries.
ACP: The Diocese of Atlanta – The Episcopal Church (IV (4) Province).
- 11 Thurs Bury Hospice: Revd Hugh Bearn.
ACP: The Diocese of Auckland – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia (Pakeha Tikanga).
- 12 Fri Parishes in the Deanery of Deane: Area Dean: Revd Vinny Whitworth. Lay Chair Sylvia Smith.
Pray for the retired clergy and Readers living and working in the deanery.
ACP: The Diocese of North West Australia – The Anglican Church of Australia (Western Australia Province).
- 13 Sat Horwich and Rivington Team comprising St Catherine, Horwich; Holy Trinity, Horwich; St Elizabeth, Horwich; Rivington: Revd Michael Behrend, Revd Peter Harley, Revd Caroline Tracey, Revd Dr Gill Smart, Revd Nicola Butterworth, Revd Nicola Gillard.
Pray for the appointment process for a new Team Rector, with interviews scheduled for 22nd March, and for wisdom for all involved.
ACP: The Diocese of Aweil – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Northern Bahr el Ghazal Province).
- 14 Sun **The Fourth Sunday of Lent.**
ACP: Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.
Porvoo: Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia: Archbishop Jānis Vanags, Bishop Einārs Alpe, Bishop Hanss Martins Jensons. Church of England: Diocese of Lichfield, Bishop Michael Iprgrave, Bishop Sarah Bullock, Bishop designate Matthew Parker, Bishop Clive Gregory. Church in Wales: Diocese of St David's, Bishop Joanna Penberthy.
- 15 Mon St Bede, Bolton le Moors: Revd Vinny Whitworth.
St Bede, Morris Green: Pray for their Easter preparations and their community Easter Egg Hunt as they bring good news and hope to their local community.
Lahore Link: Pray for the links between the cathedrals of Manchester and Lahore.
Pakistan: Pray for the country's security forces.

ACP: The Diocese of Awerial – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Eastern Bahr el Ghazal Province).

16 Tues Deane Team (benefice) comprising St Mary the Virgin, Deane and St Andrew, Over Hulton: Revd Dr Terry Clark, Revd Vinny Whitworth, Revd Ben Wilkinson.

St Mary, Deane: Thanks for our wonderful 2* listed church building and prayer for the funding to carry out the extensive and urgent work needed on the roof.

St Andrew, Over Hulton: Pray for them as they prepare to welcome Ben, their new curate, in the summer.

ACP: The Diocese of Awgu / Aninri – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Enugu Province).

17 Wed Patrick, Bishop, Missionary, Patron of Ireland, c.460.

St Thomas and St John, Lostock: Revd Dr Terry Clark, Revd Ben Wilkinson.

Thanks for more adults than ever now being in discipleship groups. Pray for a new PCC treasurer.

ACP: The Diocese of Awka – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Niger Province).

18 Thurs Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, Teacher of the Faith, 386.

Blackrod, Daisy Hill, Westhoughton and Wingates Team Ministry comprising St Katherine, Blackrod; St Bartholomew, Westhoughton; St Thomas, Chequerbent; St George's LEP, The Hoskers; St John the Evangelist, Wingates, St James, Daisy Hill: Revd Carol Pharaoh, Revd Angela Wynne, Revd Dr Malcolm Wearing.

Blackrod Anglican/Methodist Primary School. St Bartholomew's CE Primary School, Westhoughton. St George's CE Primary School, Westhoughton. St James' CE Primary School, Daisy Hill. St Thomas CE Primary School, Chequerbent.

Blackrod, Daisy Hill, Westhoughton and Wingates Team: Pray for wise decisions as they build back better as covid restrictions begin to ease.

St Katharine, Blackrod: Pray for their new Eco Church group to be an inspiration to the congregation and to the community to cherish God's creation, reduce their carbon footprint and play their part to avert a climate catastrophe. For their Messy Church and Sunday School that post-covid they may be able to continue to build up their relationships with families and young people. Pray that their Easter Messy Bags may bring hope and joy into their lives and for their PCC that they may have vision and courage to be bold and daring when planning for the future.

St Thomas, Chequerbent: Pray for St Thomas' Church in School that it may reopen soon and be imaginative in reaching out to the families who attend.

St Bartholomew, Westhoughton: Pray for wisdom as they seek to serve the town centre community better.

St George the Hoskers: Pray for their church in school that their young families will return as they reopen after lockdown and they will foster a better relationship with their school community.

St John the Evangelist, Wingates: Pray for their work with families and young people, that they will have fresh energy and new vision.

St James, Daisy Hill: Pray for all those in their community who are hurting in this latest lockdown, and for strength to work together as a church to bring back the full life and fellowship so many miss, and to reach out again to their wider community in 2021.

ACP: The Diocese of Awori – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Lagos Province).

19 Fri **Joseph of Nazareth.**

University of Bolton: Revd Dr Gill Smart.

ACP: The Diocese of Ayod – The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (Jonglei Province).

20 Sat Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 587.

Parishes in the Deanery of Radcliffe and Prestwich. Area Dean: Revd Dave Thomson. Lay Chair: Joe Walk.

Pray for the retired clergy and Readers living and working in the deanery.

ACP: The Diocese of Badagry – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Lagos Province).

21 Sun **The Fifth Sunday of Lent.**

ACP: The Church of England.

Porvoo: Church of Sweden: Diocese of Lund, Bishop Johan Tyrberg. Church of Ireland: Diocese of Cashel, Ossory and Ferns, Bishop Michael Burrows. Church of England: Diocese of Ely, Bishop Stephen Conway, Bishop Dagmar Winter.

- 22 Mon Christ Church, Ainsworth: Revd Dave Thomson, Revd Elaine Larkin, Revd Debra Johnstone. Christ Church Ainsworth CE Primary School.
Pray for rapid post-pandemic recovery so that they might return to their pre-covid growth. For essential lay leadership vacancies to be filled.
ACP: The Diocese of the Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands – The Church in the Province of the West Indies.
- 23 Tues Hillock and Unsworth Benefice comprising of St Andrew, Hillock and St George, Unsworth: Revd Donna Williams, Revd Ann Whittleworth, Revd Michele Ryan.
Pray for this benefice.
ACP: The Diocese of Bakuru – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Jos Province).
- 24 Wed Walter Hilton of Thurgarton, Augustinian Canon, Mystic, 1396. Paul Couturier, Priest, Ecumenist, 1953. Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, Martyr, 1980. All Saints, Stand. All Saints CE Primary School, Whitefield.
Pray for this parish.
ACP: The Diocese of Ballarat – The Anglican Church of Australia (Victoria Province).
- 25 Thurs **The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary.**
St Hilda, Prestwich: Revd Ronnie Croft. St Hilda's CE Primary School, Prestwich.
Pray for this parish.
ACP: The Diocese of Bangor – The Church in Wales.
- 26 Fri Harriet Monsall, Founder of the Community of St John the Baptist, Clewer, 1883. Radcliffe Team comprising St Mary, Radcliffe and St Thomas and St John, Radcliffe: Revd Jeffrey Clawson. Radcliffe Hall CE Methodist Primary School. St John's CE Primary School.
Pray for these parishes.
ACP: The Diocese of Banks & Torres – The Anglican Church of Melanesia.
- 27 Sat St Andrew, Radcliffe: Revd Jo McKee. Readers: Mike Vine, Bob May. St Andrew's CE Primary School, Radcliffe.
Thankful that God has kept them together through technology on Sundays and during the week. Pray that God would give the PCC wisdom as they work out how to reconstruct church in the coming months.
ACP: The Diocese of Barbados – The Church in the Province of the West Indies.
- 28 Sun **Palm Sunday.**
ACP: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.
Porvoo: Church of Ireland: Diocese of Armagh, Archbishop John McDowell. Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Funen, Bishop Tine Lindhardt.
- 29 Mon **Monday of Holy Week.**
St Gabriel, Prestwich: Revd Canon Steve Williams, Revd Margaret Trivasse.
Pray for their ministry among refugees and asylum seekers newly arrived in the parish; and for planning and leadership for their future.
ACP: The Diocese of Bari – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Kaduna Province).
- 30 Tues **Tuesday of Holy Week.**
St Margaret (Holyrood), Prestwich: Revd Deborah Sandercock-Pickles, Revd Sue Walker. Reader: Christine Hardy. St Margaret's CE Primary School, Prestwich.
Praise God for keeping us safe thus far. Pray for the vulnerable in their parish, those feeling weary and those who are ill.
ACP: The Diocese of Baringo – The Anglican Church of Kenya.
- 31 Wed **Wednesday of Holy Week.** John Donne, Priest, Poet, 1631.
St Mary, Prestwich: Revd Shaun Conlon, Revd Carole Barnet, Revd Adele McKie. St Mary's CE Primary School, Prestwich.
Pray may the new Ministry Team know God's guidance as it continues to form. Give thanks for the new people worshipping here despite lockdown.
ACP: The Diocese of Barrackpore – The (united) Church of North India.