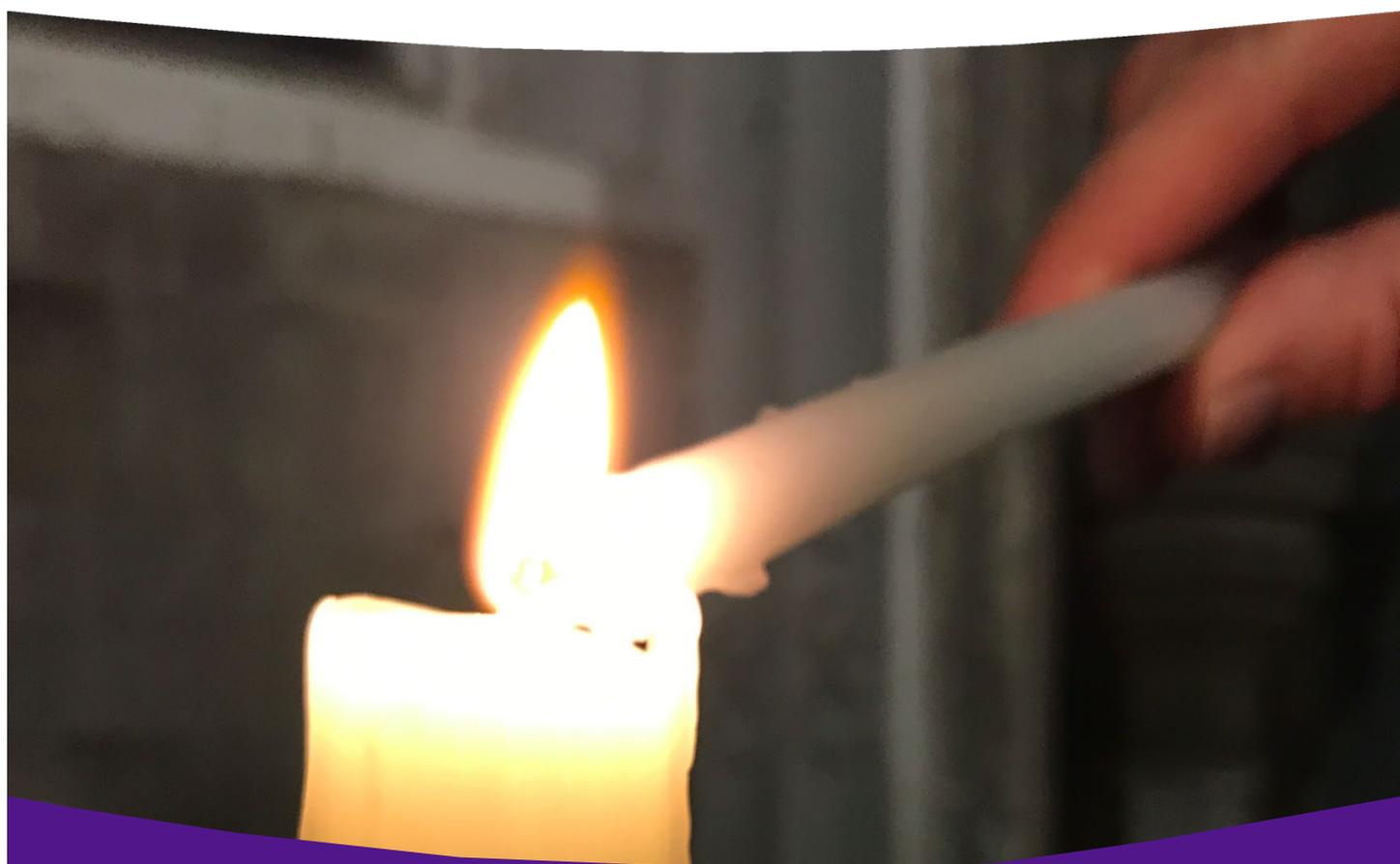




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Prayer Diary

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God who in Jesus calls us -
open hearts and minds to your invitation.
God of the pilgrim way - be our companion day by day.
God of the still, small voice - teach us to pray.
Grant that in our calling, our following, our pilgrimage, we may see your
kingdom of truth and peace -
and delight to bring others to your love.
We make this prayer through Jesus, the Lord.
(The "Follow" Prayer)

God of generosity, whose Son Jesus gathers us as one
around the table of rejoicing; be with us as we gather in his name.
Give us hope, encouragement, unity, expectancy,
and by our time together, draw us closer to one another and to you.
We make this prayer through Jesus,
the Lord.
(The "Gather" Prayer)

O come, O Holy Spirit:
come as holy fire and burn in us.
Come as holy wind and cleanse us.
Come as holy light and lead us.
Come as holy truth and teach us.
Come as holy forgiveness and free us.
Come as holy love and enfold us.
Come as holy life and dwell in us.

Hereford Archdeaconry

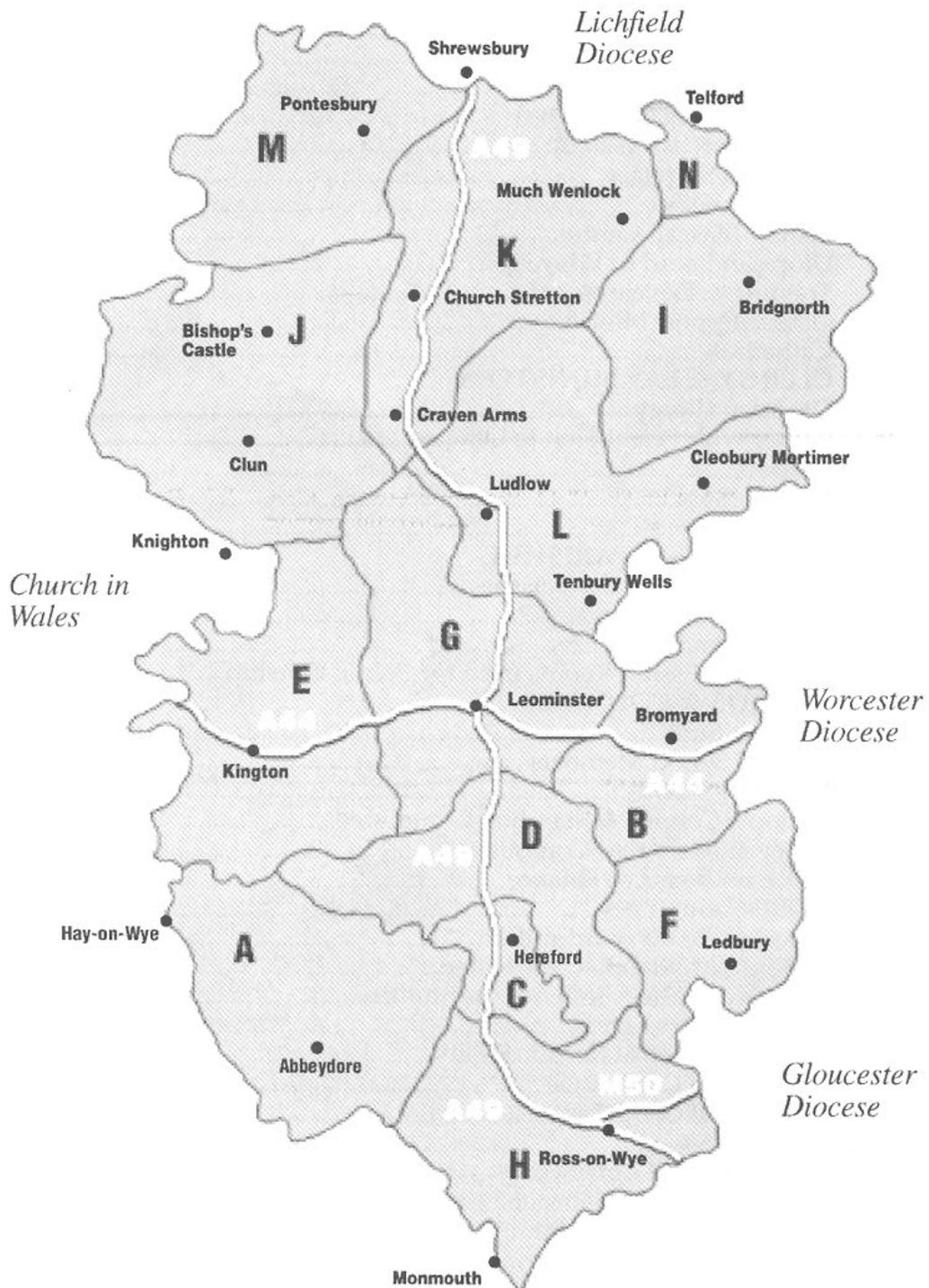
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The Prayer Diary - October to December 2021

The main part of this Prayer Diary covers the quarter from Sunday 26th September to Saturday 25th December, Christmas Day, week by week, under the following headings:

- **Anglican** - A bidding for each day, taken from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, to enable us to pray with and for the Anglican Church worldwide. I have tried to update this wherever I can!
- **Hereford** - A bidding for each day, featuring each quarter half of the deaneries and benefices of our diocese, along with diocesan organisations, areas of work, and officers.
- **Porvoo** - This weekly bidding pairs the Lutheran churches of the Nordic and Baltic areas and the Anglican churches of the British Isles and of Spain and Portugal, which have signed the Porvoo Declaration recognising each others' ministries. Also included is the Latvian Church, which has not yet taken a decision on signing the Declaration, and the Church of Denmark, which has not signed but wishes to develop links with the churches which have signed.
- **The Wider View** - Biddings and promptings for prayer relating to world mission and development, including our own World Church links, among them our companion links with the Kirchenkreis Nürnberg in Germany, and the Tanzanian dioceses of Tanga, Dar es Salaam, Masasi and Newala.
- **This Week** and **Today** - Focuses for prayer during the week, on themes and issues in healthcare, the community, education and the changing seasons, along with events, meetings etc from the Diocesan calendar.
- **Prayer** - A prayer or reflection appropriate to the week.

Please send entries for the next edition which covers the quarter January to March 2022 to me at wkrowell@btinternet.com - clearly marked in the subject area as Prayer Diary. The more I know about events and activities, the more accurate and focused our prayer biddings can be. Please also let me know if you spot any mistakes or omissions - they do happen, alas, but I do my best to make sure this Diary is as accurate as possible! Note that many of the events and meetings listed will be to some extent provisional, as further periods of Covid restriction remain a possibility.

You may find the following explanation of the initials used helpful:

CGH	-	Cuddesdon in Gloucester & Hereford (formerly WEMTC)
CMD	-	Continuing Ministerial Development
DAC	-	Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches
DDVO	-	Diocesan Director of Vocations and Ordinands
IM	-	Intergenerational Missioner
IMD	-	Initial Ministerial Development
LMC	-	Ludlow Mascall Centre (formerly BMC)
MAP	-	Mission Action Plan
MDO	-	Mission (MAP) Development Officer
PAT	-	Post Admission Training for Readers
SIAMS	-	Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools
TEC	-	The Episcopal Church (of the United States)

SUNDAY 26th September: 17th after Trinity Proper 21	
Anglican	The Episcopal Church - The Most Revd Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop.
Hereford	Pray for all that encourages and nurtures vocation within our Diocese, and for those who advise, discern and mentor, helping people to take seriously their sense of being called to Christian ministry of various kinds, and to access the training and experience they need.
Porvoo	<i>Wales:</i> Swansea and Brecon, vacant; <i>England:</i> Leicester, Bishop Martyn Snow, Bishop Guli Francis-Dehqani.
The Wider View	Give thanks for the good news from Tanzania that all health workers are being offered the Covid vaccine. Pray that they will not be influenced by the anti-vaccination views of the late President, and that they will be willing to accept the offer.
This Week	<p>As the Season of Creation approaches its final week, pray we may praise our Creator in our care for all he has made, and in our conservation of earth's natural resources. As our churches plan and prepare for Harvest Festivals, pray for the farmers and growers whose work is crucial to the life of our very rural Diocese.</p> <p>Vincent de Paul, commemorated on Monday, devoted his life to the service of the poor. Pray we may respond generously to all who are in need, and at this time particularly help welcome and resettle the Afghan families given refuge among us.</p> <p>Michaelmas reminds us of the angelic voices united in songs of praise around the throne of heaven: may our voices join with theirs in praise, and may we stand firm in the service of all that is noble and good.</p> <p>Bike to School Week this week provides opportunity to remember and celebrate all that is done to help our children keep fit and healthy, and in particular the ways in which schools encourage cycling and help ensure children can use their bikes safely and with proficiency.</p> <p>Tuesday is kept as World Rabies Day. Rabies remains a major killer in much of our world, with children especially affected. Pray for the ongoing campaign to eliminate rabies deaths across our world by 2030.</p> <p>World Heart Day on Wednesday aims to draw attention to heart disease, and to encourage a healthier lifestyle. Pray for all who live with heart-related issues and for research, treatment and therapies.</p> <p>Hidden Heroes Day, also Wednesday, celebrates those who work in prisons, probation, youth justice etc, often doing difficult, demanding, and sometimes dangerous jobs on behalf of the people in their care and the public they serve. Pray for prison chaplaincy and for all who are involved as volunteers.</p>
Monday 27th September: Vincent de Paul, founder of the Lazarists	
Anglican	Southwest Florida (Province IV, TEC) - The Rt Revd Dabney Smith.
Hereford	<i>The Parish Church:</i> Pray today for those responsible for music in our churches, including organists, musicians, choirs and worship groups, as we begin to be able to use music and singing within our worship again.

Today	School admissions guidance forum (on-line)
Tuesday 28th September	
Anglican	Fond du Lac (Province V, TEC) - The Rt Revd Matthew Gunter.
Hereford	<i>The Parish Church:</i> Pray today for all who prepare our churches for worship, and who greet people as they arrive. Pray for all who work to ensure that our buildings are clean, well-presented, Covid-secure, and safe for all.
Today	Safeguarding working group / Briefing on appointing foundation governors
Wednesday 29th September: Michael & All Angels	
Anglican	Fredericton (Canada) _ The Most Revd David Edwards.
Hereford	<i>The Parish Church:</i> Pray for tower captains and bell ringers.
Thursday 30th September: Jerome, teacher of the faith	
Anglican	Free State South Africa (Province of Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Dintoe Letloenyane.
Hereford	<i>The Parish Church:</i> Pray today for all who assist at the Eucharist, and those who help with home communions. Pray too for those within our congregations who have not yet felt able to come back to communion in church since the Covid lockdowns.
Today	SIAMS training / Half-termly briefing for head teachers / Bishop's Council
Friday 1st October: Remigius, bishop; Anthony Ashley Cooper, social reformer	
Anglican	Freetown Sierra Leone (Province of West Africa) - The Rt Revd Thomas Wilson.
Hereford	<i>The Parish Church:</i> Pray today for our churches as places where the wider community can come to celebrate at joyful times, or to mourn together at times of tragedy or shared sorrow. Pray for prayer corners and other quiet places, and that our churches may be places of welcome for all who seek refuge.
Saturday 2nd October	
Anglican	Gahini (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Manasseh Gahima.
Hereford	<i>The Parish Church:</i> Pray for all that enables the worship we offer to be joyful, attractive and relevant, and for all who help to plan and lead worship. Pray for those who at this time are preparing and decorating our churches for Harvest.
Prayer <i>The Vincent de Paul Society</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">Open my eyes that I may see the deepest needs of men, women and children; move my hands that they may feed the hungry; touch my heart that it may bring warmth to the despairing; teach me the generosity that welcomes strangers; let me share my possessions with people in need; give me the care that strengthens the sick; help me share in the quest to set prisoners free. In sharing our anxieties and our love, our poverty and our prosperity, we partake of your divine presence.</p>

SUNDAY 3rd October: 18th after Trinity Proper 22	
Anglican	The Church in Wales - vacant (arrangements for the election of a new Archbishop will be made once a new Bishop has been elected for the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon).
Hereford	<i>Ledbury Deanery:</i> Rural Dean – Robert Ward; Lay Co-Chair – Kevin Hewison (pray for Kevin following his recent election as LCC); Sub-Wardens of Readers – Chris Blanchard and Clive Evans.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Liverpool, Bishop Paul Bayes, Bishop Beverley Mason; <i>Wales:</i> Monmouth, Bishop Cherry Vann; <i>Denmark:</i> Haderslev, Bishop Marianne Christiansen.
The Wider View	Pray for the people of Afghanistan now that the Taliban are in control of the whole country. Pray particularly for women and girls fearful for the future, that secondary and higher education will continue, and that women maybe allowed to work and lead a normal life.
This Week	<p>Monday commemorates Francis of Assisi (and also brings to a close the Season of Creation). Pray for all who are influenced by his teachings and example to follow Jesus in simplicity and service, and especially for the First, Second and Third Orders of the Society of St Francis.</p> <p>The commemoration of William Tyndale on Wednesday reminds us of the long and costly campaign to provide the Scriptures in the language of the people. Pray for the Bible Societies today, and for all who work to translate the word of God and make it available to all.</p> <p>Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder affects a great many children and families, and October is kept as a month to focus on ADHD. Pray for families struggling to cope, and for children needing special care and attention; pray for those who provide the additional support needed in our schools.</p> <p>October is kept as Black History Month in the UK. This year there is a focus on five English landscapes with significant black history links. Pray for a holistic and inclusive understanding of our nation's history and cultural traditions.</p> <p>October is also Breast Cancer Awareness Month, with events in many places to raise funds and awareness, and to encourage regular checks and early diagnosis. The month aims to look to a future where everyone with breast cancer lives and lives well.</p> <p>Pray for the work of those involved in the continuing Covid vaccination programme, as young people receive vaccinations and older people become due for boosters. Give thanks for all who offer their help as volunteers.</p> <p>This week focuses on two lifelong disabling conditions, dyspraxia (affecting coordination) and dyslexia. Pray for all who live with these conditions, and for provision in our schools etc to enable children to thrive and achieve.</p> <p>The Election to General Synod concludes on Friday. Pray for all who have stood for election, and for those who will serve on the new Synod.</p>
Monday 4th October: Francis of Assisi, friar	
Anglican	Gambella <i>Ethiopia</i> (Province of Alexandria) - vacant.

Hereford	Ledbury with Eastnor – Keith Hilton-Turvey, William Simmonds, Tony Hodder; Local Ministry Team – Keith Hilton-Turvey, Tony Goodall, Tony Hodder, Tim Keyes, Heather Lucas, Christabel Panter, William Simmonds. John Masefield High School; Ledbury Primary School; Eastnor Parochial CE Primary School; Ledbury Community Health and Care Centre.
Tuesday 5th October	
Anglican	Gambia (Province of West Africa) - The Rt Revd James Odico.
Hereford	<i>The Hop Churches</i> – Ashperton, Bosbury, Canon Frome, Munsley, Stoke Edith, Stretton Grandison, Tarrington and Yarkhill: Mandy Williams: Clergy with PTO: Nicky Seabright, David Good, Len Moss; Lay Readers: Linde Melhuish, Michael Llywelyn-Jones; Bosbury CE Primary School; Ashperton Primary Academy.
Today	Bishop's Staff / "Creative RE": teaching about Islam
Wednesday 6th October: William Tyndale, translator & martyr	
Anglican	Garissa (Kenya) - The Rt Revd David Mutisya.
Hereford	<i>The Cider Churches</i> – Aylton, Putley, Pixley, Wellington Heath, Little Marcle, Much Marcle and Yatton: Val Tait; Elizabeth Reed; Readers – Jonathan Andrew, Eric Porter; Much Marcle CE Primary School.
Thursday 7th October	
Anglican	Gasabo (Rwanda) - The Rt Revd Onesphore Rwaje.
Hereford	Colwall with Upper Colwall & Coddington: Melanie Horton; Readers: Andrew Richardson; Retired Ministers: Bernard Ingram, Anne Spargo, Ros Trafford-Roberts, Ken Withington, Tim Wright; Local Ministry Team – Melanie Horton, Barbara Ashton, Stuart Hands, Trish Hockett, Joy Conlon; Colwall CE Primary School; The Elms School; The Downs School.
Friday 8th October	
Anglican	Gboko (Province of Abuja, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Emmanuel Nyitsse.
Hereford	Cradley, Mathon & Storridge: Robert Ward; Local Ministry Group – Kevin Brewer, Robert Ward, Liz Lamb, Sue Ronan; Cradley CE Primary School; Retired ministers: Nicholas Menon, Ven George Howe.
Saturday 9th October: Denys, bishop, and companions, martyrs; Robert Grosseteste, bishop	
Anglican	George South Africa (Province of Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Brian Marajh.
Hereford	Fownhope, Mordiford, Brockhampton, Woolhope & Checkley: Chris Moore; Benefice Ministry Group – Ann Corby, Bill Gunn, Judith Hereford, Chris Moore, Helen Owen, Anne Watkins, Christopher Whitmey and Rosemary Whitmey. St Mary's CE Primary School, Fownhope (Tim Milne); Mordiford CE Primary School (Kerri Finney).
Prayer <i>Francis of Assisi</i>	I beg you, Lord, let the fiery, gentle power of your love take possession of my soul, and snatch it away from everything under heaven, that I may die for love of your love as you saw fit to die for love of mine.

SUNDAY 10th October: 19th after Trinity Proper 23	
Anglican	The Church of the Province of West Africa - The Most Revd Jonathan Hart, Archbishop.
Hereford	Pray for all that inspires, encourages and resources our work with children, young people and families; pray too for our church schools, and for the growth and deepening of church-school links.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Truro, Bishop Philip Mounstephen, Bishop Hugh Nelson; <i>Norway:</i> Tönsberg, Bishop Jan Otto Myrseth; <i>Sweden:</i> Strängnäs, Bishop Johan Dalman.
Today	Order of St Ethelbert awards service at the Cathedral.
The Wider View	Pray for the palliative care teams in SE Tanzania who have been funded through the Foreign and Commonwealth Development Office for the past two years, that they will be able to continue providing pain relief and care for those with life limiting disease once this grant support comes to an end.
This Week	<p>Give thanks for the work and witness of those received the Order of St Ethelbert in our Cathedral church this Sunday.</p> <p>Pray for all who are continuing to isolate in our communities, because of age or existing medical conditions that make them particularly vulnerable to infection. Give thanks for “Community Angels” and similar schemes ensuring they are able to receive care and support.</p> <p>This is National Braille Week. Pray for all who live with sight loss, and give thanks for the ways in which Braille and other formats make the written word available to those who cannot see.</p> <p>In Malnutrition Awareness Week, we are encouraged to be more aware of the hidden dangers of malnutrition and dehydration among those who are struggling to care for themselves, especially the very elderly. May we be more aware of the signs that something is going wrong.</p> <p>National Work-Life Week focuses awareness on wellbeing at work and on the importance of a good work-life balance. This is also a topic within our Church, as parishes are asked to consider the Clergy Wellbeing material produced in response to the 2020 Act of General Synod. Pray for all who feel that work and life are out of balance in their lives.</p> <p>Many local choirs and music groups will already be practising Christmas music, but some will not have restarted after lockdown, while others may be struggling to find safe and available venues for either practice or performance. Pray for all who enjoy singing or playing together, and for those who give their time and talents as musical directors and accompanists.</p> <p>Saturday is kept as World Food Day - while we can feed the world’s population, change is needed in the way in which the world produces and consumes food, if we are to overcome food poverty, reach the hungry, and act in a way that is sustainable. Pray for a serious approach to the issues of food production and distribution by governments, growers and producers, and by ourselves as individual consumers.</p>

Monday 11th October: <i>Ethelburga, abbess; James the Deacon, companion of Paulinus</i>	
Anglican	Georgia (Province IV, TEC) - The Rt Revd Frank Logue.
Hereford	<i>The Bartestree Cross Group</i> - Lugwardine with Bartestree, Weston Beggard, Dormington, Withington & Westhide: Simon Tarlton; Lugwardine Primary School; Withington Primary School; St Mary's RC High School.
Tuesday 12th October: <i>Wilfrid, bishop; Elizabeth Fry, prison reformer; Edith Cavell, nurse</i>	
Anglican	Gippsland (Province of Victoria, Australia) - The Rt Revd Richard Treloar.
Hereford	<i>Education:</i> Andrew Teale, Director of Education, Sian Lines, Deputy Director, Toni Enefer, Business and Governance Officer, Mark Harrington, Education Development Officer, and all who work with them; members of the Diocesan Board of Education.
Today	"New to teaching in a church school" / School governor training (begins)
Wednesday 13th October: <i>Edward the Confessor, king</i>	
Anglican	Gitega (Burundi) - The Rt. Rev. Aimé Joseph Kimararungu.
Hereford	<i>Education:</i> The 78 church schools and academies of our Diocese - heads, teachers and other school staff; children, young people and their families.
Thursday 14th October	
Anglican	Glasgow & Galloway (Scottish Episcopal Church) - The Rt Revd Kevin Pearson.
Hereford	<i>Education:</i> All who offer themselves as school governors, and especially the foundation governors of our church schools.
Today	Luke's Gospel: a new year in preaching (at Leominster) / Pupil-led worship
Friday 15th October: <i>Teresa of Avila, teacher of the faith</i>	
Anglican	Gloucester (Province of Canterbury, Church of England) - The Rt Revd Rachel Treweek; Suffragan - The Rt Revd Robert Springett (Tewkesbury).
Hereford	<i>Education:</i> Parent-Teacher and friends associations, and all who help support our schools financially, including helping fund extracurricular activities.
Today	SIAMS training - the effectiveness of RE
Saturday 16th October: <i>Nicholas Ridley and Hugh Latimer, bishops and martyrs</i>	
Anglican	Gogrial (Province of Northern Bahr el Ghazal, South Sudan) - The Rt. Rev. Santino Malong Kuol.
Hereford	<i>Education:</i> All that develops the links between church and school; chaplaincy etc in high schools and further education.
Prayer <i>Theresa of Avila</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">Today may there be peace within you. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born in faith. May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. It is there for each and every one of us.</p>

SUNDAY 17th October: 20th after Trinity Proper 24	
Anglican	The Province of the West Indies - The Most Revd Howard Gregory, Archbishop.
Hereford	<i>Leominster Deanery</i> : Rural Dean – Jane Davies; Lay Co-Chair – Lydia Davies; Sub-Warden of Readers – Culain Morris.
Porvoo	<i>Sweden</i> : Växjö, Bishop Fredrik Modéus; <i>England</i> : Oxford, Bishop Steven Croft, Bishop Olivia Graham, Bishop Colin Fletcher, Bishop Alan Wilson.
The Wider View	Pray for our Nuremberg friends as they continue to prepare to host the German Kirchentag in June, 2023. The Kirchentag was formally announced to the city on 18th September, an event which included a midday service presided over by Bishop Elisabeth. People of the city are invited to contribute towards the formation of the programme, and a Biblical “headline text” for the Kirchentag is due to be presented at about this time.
This Week	<p>Sunday is kept as Child Poverty Day. The Children’s Society is one of the organisations using this day to highlight the hidden reality of child poverty in our society, and situations where parents are not able to afford the basics of food, clothing and shelter.</p> <p>St Luke’s Day on Monday prompts prayer for doctors and all involved in medical care, and for the work of hospital chaplaincy. Pray for those many people working in health care who are feeling exhausted and burnt-out by the additional stress imposed by the Covid pandemic.</p> <p>Apple Day, celebrated on Thursday, is both a celebration of apples and a demonstration of the danger there is of losing not only traditional varieties of apples, but something of the diversity of our landscape, ecology and culture. It also raises awareness in the provenance and traceability of the food we eat. Pray for the many apple growers and market gardeners of our Diocese.</p> <p>Thursday is also Trafalgar Day which celebrates that decisive naval victory, and may also prompt prayer for all who serve today in our Royal Navy. Pray that as churches we may take seriously the opportunities we have to save energy, and to use energy from more sustainable sources as we heat and light our church buildings. Pray for our Diocese as we work together to comply with the Church of England decision to reduce carbon emissions to ‘net zero’ by 2030, following its adoption by our Diocesan Synod last year.</p> <p>International Stammering Awareness Day, on Friday, draws attention to the problems of stammering and other speech impediments faced by many people around our world. It seeks to encourage inclusive programmes in schools and workplace, to widen our understanding of the causes of speech impediments, and to develop therapies and strategies to help people overcome or reduce the impact of stammering. Pray for all who have found themselves excluded or ridiculed because of a speech problem.</p>
Monday 18th October: Luke, evangelist	
Anglican	Goma (Province of the Congo) - vacant, so far as I know, following the death through Covid of the Rt Revd Desiré Makaniwa.

Hereford	<i>Clergy with PTO:</i> Michael Denny, Simon Richards, Richard Spencer, Michael Walker, Pauline Rees, James Forrester, John Benson, Celia Rees, Andrew Mayes, Gareth Jones, John Thewlis, Nigella Tyson, Paul Smith, David Hewlett, Alison Leigh.
Tuesday 19th October: Henry Martyn, translator and missionary	
Anglican	Gombe (Province of Jos, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Cletus Tambari.
Hereford	Canon Pyon with Kings Pyon, Birley & Wellington: Vicar, Jane Davies, Assistant Curate, David Wyatt; Canon Pyon CE Academy; Wellington Primary School.
Today	"Building Environment and Net Carbon Zero" - virtual conference
Wednesday 20th October	
Anglican	Grafton (Province of New South Wales, Australia) - The Rt Revd Murray Harvey.
Hereford	Kingsland with Eardisland, Aymestrey & Leinthall Earles: Julie Read; Nick Read, Associate Agricultural Chaplain; Assistant Curate - Katie Smith; Reader - Rosemary Capon; Kingsland Primary School.
Today	Creative collective worship - ideas to celebrate the Church
Thursday 21st October	
Anglican	Grahamstown <i>South Africa</i> (Province of Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Ebenezer St Mark Ntlali.
Hereford	<i>Leominster Team Ministry:</i> Team Rector – Guy Cole; Team Vicars - Matthew Burns, Rufus Noy; Readers – Chris St Clair, Rob Walker, Susannah Peppiatt; Intergenerational Ministers - Kathy Bland and David Bland; Rural Chaplain - Des Hall.
Today	Diocesan Advisory Committee
Friday 22nd October	
Anglican	Guadalcanal (Province of Melanesia) - The Rt Revd Benedict Loe.
Hereford	<i>Leominster Team Ministry:</i> The Priory, Leominster; Community Hospital; Leominster County Primary School; Earl Mortimer College; Westfield School, Leominster.
Saturday 23rd October	
Anglican	Guatemala (Central America) - The Rt Revd Silvestre Romero.
Hereford	<i>Leominster Team Ministry:</i> Eastern Parishes – Pudleston-cum-Whyle, Hatfield, Docklow, Stoke Prior & Ford, Humber; Hope-under-Dinmore, Kimbolton with Hamnish, Middleton-on-the-Hill, Leysters, and Bockleton. St James CE Primary School, Kimbolton; Stoke Prior Primary School.
Prayer <i>Henry Martyn</i>	<p>I am born for God only.</p> <p>Christ is nearer to me than father, or mother, or sister – a near relation, a more affectionate Friend; and I rejoice to follow him, and to love him.</p> <p>Blessed Jesus! Thou art all I want - a forerunner to me in all I ever shall go through as a Christian, a minister, or a missionary.</p>

SUNDAY 24th October: Last after Trinity; Bible Sunday	
Anglican	The Extra-Provincial Churches of the Communion.
Hereford	Pray for all that helps develop and resource the ministry of the local church, including courses and study days, the sharing of resource materials and good practice, and all that helps stimulate ideas, form teams and motivate action.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Carlisle, Bishop James Newcome, Bishop Emma Ineson; <i>Norway:</i> Stavanger, Bishop Anne Lise Ådnøy.
The Wider View	Pray for those planning and preparing for the COP 26 UN Climate change conference due to take place in November in Glasgow. Pray that those attending may make and commit to decisions that will not only slow down the devastation we have caused to God's perfect creation, but start to reverse the process, so the world is a cleaner and better place for future generations.
This Week	<p>On Bible Sunday, pray for all who teach and translate the Scriptures, and for the Bible Societies working together around our world.</p> <p>Sunday is also United Nations Day, commemorating the founding of the UNO on this day in 1945. Pray for peace among nations, and for the various programmes of the UNO worldwide. Give thanks for all that enables dialogue, particularly at times of tension and stress.</p> <p>Half term week will inevitably be a time to take stock, and measure the impact of Covid over the first half of the Autumn Term. Pray for the right decisions to be made to enable our safety through the winter months, and to ensure that education is not curtailed, and health facilities are not overwhelmed.</p> <p>Pray for those attending the Creative Cloisters events at the Cathedral on Monday and Saturday, on poetry and photography, and for all that encourages and enables artistic expression and appreciation. Pray for local arts events of various kinds within our communities.</p> <p>Pray for all who work in our leisure and tourism industries, as half-term week brings (we hope) an influx of visitors. Pray for locations and businesses that have been struggling to open fully because of staffing difficulties, and the additional costs of Covid precautions.</p> <p>As we approach Hallowe'en, and as our venues and retail outlets seem to make more and more of this as a festival, pray we may be able to counter anything that may seem to be glorifying the occult. Pray for those organising and hosting Christian Light Parties and other similar events.</p> <p>As the clocks go back, pray for those who are inconvenienced by the darker evenings, and the many people for whom this time brings a risk of depression. Pray too for safety on our roads, at a time when the evening rush hour coincides with early darkness.</p>
Monday 25th October: Crispin and Crispinian, martyrs	
Anglican	Guildford (Province of Canterbury, Church of England) - The Rt Revd Andrew Watson; Suffragan - The Rt Revd Jo Bailey Wells (Dorking).
Hereford	<i>Leominster Team Ministry:</i> Western Parishes – Eyton, Ivington, Monkland, Dilwyn & Stretford; Eye, Croft with Yarpole & Lucton; Orleton and Brimfield.

	Dilwyn CE Primary School; Ivington CE Primary School; Luston Primary School; Orleton CE Primary School; Lucton School.
Tuesday 26th October: Alfred, king and scholar; <i>Cedd, abbot and bishop</i>	
Anglican	Guinea (Province of West Africa) - The Rt Revd Jacques Boston.
Hereford	<i>Wigmore</i> – Brampton Bryan, Downton, Burrington, Aston, Elton, Leintwardine, Adforton, Wigmore, Leinthall Starks: Mike Catling; Readers – Alastair Gloag, Carole Gloag, Culain Morris; Wigmore High School; Wigmore Primary School; Leintwardine Endowed Primary School.
Wednesday 27th October	
Anglican	Gujarat (Church of North India) - The Rt Revd Silvans Christian.
Hereford	<i>The Maund Group</i> – Rector: Paul Roberts; Assistant Curate: Natalie Jennings, Intergenerational Missioner at Sutton: Christine Cattanach; Bodenham, Felton, Marden with Amberley and Wisteston, Preston Wynne, Sutton Saint Nicholas, Sutton St Michael; St Michael's CE Primary School Bodenham, Marden Primary Academy, Sutton Primary Academy.
Thursday 28th October: Simon and Jude, apostles	
Anglican	Central Gulf Coast (Province IV, TEC) - The Rt Revd Russell Kendrick.
Hereford	<i>The Burghill Group</i> - Team Rector – Phill Brown. St Mary the Virgin, Burghill; St Andrew's Moreton-on-Lugg; St Mary Magdalene, Stretton Sugwas; St Peter's, Pipe-cum-Lyde. Schools – Burghill Academy, Stretton Sugwas CE Academy. Stretton Sugwas Nursing Home.
Friday 29th October: James Hannington, bishop and martyr	
Anglican	Gusau (Province of Kaduna, Nigeria) The Rt Revd John Garba Danbinta.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry:</i> Pray for spiritual directors in the caring, supportive and prayerful work they do. Give thanks for all that is being done to respond to the additional stresses of the present time, and to ensure that those in ministry are able to find support.
Saturday 30th October	
Anglican	Guyana (Province of the West Indies) - The Rt Revd Charles Davidson; Suffragan - The Rt Revd Alfred Clement David.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry:</i> Pray for all who lead and enable Bible study, fellowship and prayer groups within our local churches and groups.
Prayer <i>Alfred the Great</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lord, Almighty God, Maker and Ruler of all creation, I pray thee by thy great mercy, and by the love of all thy saints, that thou guide me to thy will, and to my soul's good, better than I myself may know; and establish my mind in thy will and to my soul's good; and strengthen me against the Devil's temptations; and remove from me all unrighteousness; and shield me against mine adversaries, seen and unseen; and teach me thy will to work; that I may love thee fervently above all things, with clean mind and with clean body.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To thee be praise and glory now and for ever, world without end.</p>

SUNDAY 31st October: 4th before Advent: All Saints Sunday	
Anglican	The Province of Alexandria (in Egypt, North Africa and the Horn of Africa) - The Most Revd Samy Fawzy, Archbishop.
Hereford	Ludlow Deanery: Rural Dean – Ashley Buck; Lay Co-Chair – Sadie Chalkley; Sub-Warden of Readers – John Beesley.
Porvoo	<i>England</i> : Winchester, Bishop Timothy Dakin, Bishop David Williams, Bishop Debbie Sellin; <i>Norway</i> : Agder and Telemark, Bishop Stein Reinertsen.
The Wider View	Pray for the “Train a Priest” scheme in Tanzania supported by our diocese, and for those presently training for priestly ministry.
This Week	<p>Give thanks for the faithful witness to our Lord we find in the lives of the saints, and pray that courage, constancy and a sacrificial but joyful faith may be marks of the Church in our time.</p> <p>As we commemorate All Souls, pray for all who have been bereaved over the year past, that they find comfort and strength in the love of God. Pray for those many families whose freedom to say farewell to a loved one as they would have wished has been limited by the Covid restrictions, and for all who will attend memorial services and other activities in our churches.</p> <p>November is COPD Awareness Month. Pray for all who live with serious breathing difficulties, and for all that is done to support them and assist them. Pray for the annual Poppy Appeal, and for all who give their time and effort each year to sell poppies on our streets, in shops, workplaces and schools, and door to door. Pray for the success of this year’s appeal, and the important work with and for ex-servicemen and women it supports.</p> <p>In the week of Bonfire Night, pray for those planning and organising community bonfires and firework displays, and that they may be safe places - both fire safe and Covid secure.</p> <p>In National Stress Week, pray for all who suffer from stress, especially as the days grow shorter, and that our mental health services may be fully resourced and supported to provide safe and healing space for those who need it. Pray for those who look after the many local nature reserves within our communities, which provide an important refuge for wildlife; pray too for wildlife-friendly practices on farmland and in our parks and gardens, all of which helps connect what might otherwise be isolated populations.</p> <p>Pray for those who edit and produce village and community newsletters, whether in print or on-line, giving thanks for all that helps foster togetherness and ensure everyone is kept informed of local issues and events.</p> <p>Pray for all who will participate in the COP26 Climate Change Conference in Glasgow this week, and for meaningful decisions to be made.</p>
Monday 1st November: All Saints	
Anglican	Gwagwalada (Province of Abuja, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Moses Tabwaye.
Hereford	<i>Tenbury Team Ministry</i> - Burford, Clee Hill, Coreley with The Knowle, Greete, Hope Bagot, Little Hereford, Nash & Boraston, Tenbury St Mary’s, Tenbury St Michael’s & Whitton: Mark Inglis, Sian Harris, Sue Foster; Reader - Kevin Bryant.

Tuesday 2nd November: All Souls (Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)	
Anglican	Haiti (Province II, TEC) - vacant, following the retirement in 2019 of the Rt Revd Jean Zache Duracin, and a successful challenge to the election of a coadjutor bishop to succeed him. Natural disasters and political turmoil have delayed the process towards a new election.
Hereford	<i>Tenbury Local Ministry Group</i> – clergy, Kathleen Bills, Michael Holmes, Mary Thomas and Ros Plested; Tenbury CE Primary School; Burford CE Primary School; Clee Hill Community Academy; Tenbury High Ormiston Academy; Saint Michael’s College; Tenbury District Hospital: Chaplaincy Team.
Today	Understanding Christianity (refresher for teachers) / Finance Committee
Wednesday 3rd November: Richard Hooker, teacher of the faith; <i>Martin of Porres, friar</i>	
Anglican	Hanuato’o (Province of Melanesia) - The Rt Revd Arthur Stanley Abui.
Hereford	<i>Ludlow</i> (Ludlow St Laurence & Ludlow St John): Kelvin Price, Laurence Gittins, Wayne Davies; Associate Minister (rtd) - Ann Barge; Readers - Stephen Ashford, Roger Hall; Reader Emeritus - John Robson. Ludlow Community Hospital; Ludlow CE Secondary School, St Laurence CE Primary School, Ludlow Infants School, Ludlow Junior School, Ludlow College.
Today	SIAMS - the role of governors
Thursday 4th November	
Anglican	Harare <i>Zimbabwe</i> (Province of Central Africa) - The Rt Revd Farai Mutamiri.
Hereford	<i>Bromfield Group</i> : Bitterley with Middleton; Stoke St Milborough & The Heath; Clee St Margaret & Cold Weston; Onisbury; Bromfield; Stanton Lacy: Justin Parker. Bitterley CE Primary School, Onny CE Primary School.
Today	Hereford and Ludlow Archdeaconry Mission and Pastoral Sub-Committees / Church School & Academy Governing Boards' Termly Briefing
Friday 5th November	
Anglican	Hawaii (Province VIII, TEC) - The Rt Revd Robert Fitzpatrick.
Hereford	<i>Ashfords Group</i> : Ludford, Ashford Carbonell, Ashford Bowdler, Caynham, Knowbury, Richards Castle: Lyn Money, Nick Helm; Lay leaders - Rob Downes, Susannah Hall. Bishop Hooper CE Primary School.
Saturday 6th November: Leonard, hermit; William Temple, bishop and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	St Helena (Province of Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Dale Bowers.
Hereford	Ludlow Clergy with Permission to Officiate.
Prayer <i>William Temple</i>	O God of love, we pray thee to give us love: love in our thinking, love in our speaking, love in our doing, and love in the hidden places of our souls; love of our neighbours near and far; love of our friends, old and new; love of those with whom we find it hard to bear, and love of those who find it hard to bear with us; love of those with whom we work, and love of those with whom we take our ease; love in joy, love in sorrow; love in life and love in death; that so at length we may be worthy to dwell with thee, who art eternal love.

SUNDAY 7th November: 3rd before Advent	
Anglican	The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia: Shared Primacy - The Most Revd Philip Richardson, The Most Revd Donald Tamihere, Archbishops (the Polynesian archbishop's post is presently vacant).
Hereford	Give thanks for the ecumenical, interfaith and international links that help define and locate us as a diocese. Pray we may develop and value all the existing and potential connections that both challenge and inform, and enable a wider vision of call, service and mission.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Norwich, Bishop Graham Usher, Bishop Alan Winton, Bishop Jonathan Meyrick; <i>Sweden:</i> Luleå, Bishop Åsa Nyström.
The Wider View	With Covid 19 still causing serious problems in the world, pray that the vaccines will be available to everyone. Thank God for the scientists who have developed them and pray that international co-operation, honest dialogue and mutual support may enable a truly global response to end this pandemic and prevent any other occurring.
This Week	<p>Pray for community and church events to mark Armistice Day on Thursday, and for the Royal British Legion and veterans' associations.</p> <p>Pray for all who are victims of attacks on social media, and for action against cyber-bullying in our schools and in the workplace. Pray too that the major social media providers and platforms may take swifter and firmer action against all who use their services with ill intent, or who share material that is divisive and untruthful.</p> <p>Monday this week celebrates the Saints and Martyrs of England. Give thanks for all who have in lives of faith and service helped to plant the Christian Gospel in our land, and pray we may take their example to heart.</p> <p>Pray for all who lead and organise clubs and activities for children and young people in our communities, including Scouts and Guides etc, sporting activities and clubs, and after-school clubs and activities.</p> <p>Pray too for clubs and activities run with older people in mind, and for those within our communities who struggle to leave their homes, particularly where they have no close family or live far away from children and grandchildren.</p> <p>The grass-cutting season in our churchyards has ended for the year. Give thanks for all who keep our churchyards and burial grounds tidy and safe, and also for the ways in which untidy corners or edges, and areas set aside can become refuges for wildlife, if looked after with care. Pray for "Caring for God's Acre" and others who help facilitate this.</p> <p>Saturday is kept as World Kindness Day, and celebrates all sorts of acts of kindness: give thanks for all whose kindness has been important at times of difficulty, sadness, uncertainty and stress.</p>
Monday 8th November: Saints and Martyrs of England	
Anglican	Hereford (Province of Canterbury, Church of England) - The Rt Revd Richard Jackson.
Hereford	Cleobury Mortimer with Hopton Wafers, Neen Sollars & Milson, Neen Savage

	with Kinlet; Doddington: Ashley Buck, Sue Barrett, David Eve, Joe Simons; Reader - Charles Houston; Lacon Childe School; Cleobury Mortimer Primary School; Kinlet CE Primary School; St Mary's Youth Project: Mark Greaves.
Tuesday 9th November: Margery Kempe, mystic	
Anglican	Southern Highlands (Tanzania) - The Rt Revd Julius Lugendo.
Hereford	<i>Corvedale Group</i> : Culmington, Diddlebury, Munslow with Broadstone, Holdgate, Tugford, Abdon: John Beesley; Corvedale CE Primary School.
Today	Bishop's Staff / Supporting RE for Governors - Termly Briefing
Wednesday 10th November: Leo the Great, bishop and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	Highveld <i>South Africa</i> (Province of Southern Africa) - The Rt Revd Charles May.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry</i> : Pray for those of other faiths within our communities, and for all that helps and resources our awareness of other faith groups.
Today	Faith in Maintenance training day
Thursday 11th November: Martin, bishop; Armistice Day	
Anglican	Eastern Himalayas <i>India and Bhutan</i> (Church of North India) - vacant.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry</i> : Pray for all that supports and informs parish and ministry development within our Diocese; pray too for curates presently in training and for their training incumbents.
Today	School leaders' guide to inducting new governors / DBF & Diocesan Synod
Friday 12th November	
Anglican	Ho (Province of Ghana, Church of West Africa) - The Rt Revd Matthias Medadues-Badohu.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry</i> : Lizzie Hackney (Lead Intergenerational Missioner), and Kathy Bland (Intergenerational Church Enabler & Messy Church Regional Co-ordinator). Pray for all who working to develop new forms of ministry and new areas of mission, especially with young people and families.
Today	SIAMS - Effective Self Evaluation Workshop
Saturday 13th November: Charles Simeon, priest and evangelical divine	
Anglican	Hokkaido (Nippon Sei Ko Kai / Japan) - The Rt Revd Nathaniel Uematsu.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry</i> : Pray for all that is done to help the local church to plan and develop projects and to realise visions, particularly in making our buildings more available and accessible as centres of prayer and worship and as resources for community use.
Prayer <i>Charles Simeon</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">O Lord our God, what is before us, we know not, whether we shall live or die; but this we know, that all things are ordered and sure. Everything is ordered with unerring wisdom and unbounded love, by thee, O God, who art love. Grant us in all things to see thy hand; through Jesus Christ our Lord.</p>

SUNDAY 14th November: 2nd before Advent; Remembrance Sunday	
Anglican	The Anglican Church of Australia - The Most Revd Geoffrey Smith, Archbishop of Adelaide and Primate.
Hereford	<i>Pontesbury Deanery:</i> Rural Dean – William Rowell; Lay Co-Chair – Mike Kirk; Sub-Warden of Readers – Nancy Cleaton; Secretary - Ann Jones; Treasurer - Richard Jones; Intergenerational Missioner - Mark Hackney.
Porvoo	<i>Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church:</i> Archbishop Urmas Viilma, Bishop Tiit Salumäe, Bishop Joel Luhamets; <i>England:</i> Rochester, Bishop James Langstaff, Bishop Simon Burton-Jones.
The Wider View	Give thanks for all our diocesan links within Tanzania, and pray that visits and exchanges in both directions will soon be able to resume, without Covid restrictions.
This Week	<p>Pray for all who serve in our armed forces, and that we may continue to value the service and sacrifice offered by those who fought in the defence of our nation and its allies in the two World Wars and at other times. Pray for all that helps build and maintain the bridges of peace and understanding that many of those who fought in those wars were longing for.</p> <p>Pray for the work of the Royal British Legion and for the ex-service personnel and families it is able to help and support.</p> <p>Anti-Bullying Week takes place this week. Pray for all who are bullied, at school or at work or in other ways and places, that those in positions of leadership may be attentive and perceptive, and ready to take decisive action to halt the damage caused by bullies. May we be ready to stand alongside those who are targeted or treated unfairly.</p> <p>This is also Road Safety Week. Road traffic has increased substantially in many places post-lockdown, as fewer people wish to risk travelling by public transport. Pray for the safety of all who use our roads, and that road surfaces and signage may be kept in good repair. Pray that children may receive good road safety instruction at school and elsewhere.</p> <p>Thursday this week is World Pancreatic Cancer Day. This is a difficult cancer to diagnose, and it is often missed in its early stages as symptoms are variable and can come and go. Pray for greater awareness, and for research to improve diagnosis and treatment.</p> <p>Friday is World Toilet Day, designated by the UN to highlight the need to improve sanitation in many parts of the world. Sustainable Development Goal 6 aims to ensure all have access to safe toilet facilities by 1930: pray for a real commitment by nations and NGO's to achieve this target.</p> <p>It's anticipated as this Diary went to press that BBC Children in Need Day will be 19th November. Pray for all who will be helping to raise funds this year in our local communities, and for the causes and children supported.</p>
Monday 15th November	
Anglican	Honduras (Province IX, TEC) - The Rt Revd Lloyd Allen.
Hereford	<i>The Chirbury Hills Group:</i> Chirbury, Marton-in-Chirbury, Trelystan with

	Leighton, Middleton-in-Chirbury with Corndon Marsh: William Rowell; PTO - Eric Brazier; Worship Leaders - Kay Yeates, Ann Rowell; Chirbury VC School (within the Shropshire Hills Federation); Leighton CP School.
Today	Mothers' Union Trustees / Effective Assessment - RE Moderation
Tuesday 16th November: Margaret, queen and philanthropist; <i>Edmund Rich, archbishop</i>	
Anglican	Hong Kong Island (Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui) - The Rt Revd Matthias Der.
Hereford	Ford; Alberbury with Cardeston & Wattlesborough; Great Wollaston, including Middletown: Greg Roberts; Maxine Neal, SSM recently retired; Reader – Susan Gaulton; Local Ministry Development Group – Maxine Neal, Sue Hill, Jane Weston, Sue Roberts, Alison Lewis, Elvire Mortimer, Jane Shaw. Trinity CE Primary School, Ford; Brynhafren CP School, Crew Green.
Wednesday 17th November: Hugh, bishop	
Anglican	Hpa-an (Myanmar) - The Rt Revd Saw Mark Maung Doe.
Hereford	Great Hanwood, Longden & Annscroft with Pulverbatch: Graham Phillips; PTO: Emma Phillips; Retired Clergy: Graham Earney, Colin Hurford; Readers Emeritus - Paul Charlesworth, Liba Taconis; Local Ministry Development Group in Hanwood – Margaret Hill, Tracy Jones, Margaret Nichols, Keith Packer, Ros Packer.
Today	Diocesan Advisory Committee
Thursday 18th November: Elizabeth, princess and philanthropist	
Anglican	Huron (Province of Ontario, Canada) - The Rt Revd Todd Townshend.
Hereford	<i>Youthchurch</i> Fresh Expression of Church for 11 to 18's; Longden CE School, St Thomas and St Anne's CE School, Hanwood.
Friday 19th November: Hilda, Abbess; <i>Mechild, béguine and mystic</i>	
Anglican	Hyderabad (Church of Pakistan) - The Rt Revd Kaleem John.
Hereford	<i>Stiperstones Group</i> : Minsterley & Snailbeach, Habberley & Hope with Shelve: Greg Smith; PTO Clergy – Pam Bickley, Carolyn Chadwick, Greg Forster; Long Mountain School, Minsterley School, Stiperstones School (within the Shropshire Hills Federation). Pray for these parishes as they continue their journey of plurality with Pontesbury.
Today	Practical Guide to Developing your School's Christian Vision
Saturday 20th November: Edmund, king and martyr; <i>Priscilla Lydia Sellon, religious</i>	
Anglican	Ibadan (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Most Revd Joseph Akinfenwa.
Hereford	Pontesbury: Greg Smith; PTO Clergy – Shirley Small; Pontesbury CE Primary School, Mary Webb School & Science College. Pray for this parish as it continues its journey of plurality with the parishes of the Stiperstones Group.
Prayer <i>Hilda of Whitby</i>	Lord, may I be equal to your hope of me. If I am weak, I ask that you send only what I can bear. If I am strong, may I shrink from no testing that shall yield increase of strength or win security for my spirit. I trust in thee, O Lord: I say, 'Thou art my God.' My times are in thy hand, my times are in thy hand.

SUNDAY 21st November: Next before Advent: Christ the King	
Anglican	The Church of Bangladesh - The Most Revd Samuel Sunil Mankhin, Moderator.
Hereford	Pray for the communications team in our diocese in their work and in the support offered to the local church. As we share the good news of our faith within our local area and beyond, may we do so professionally and persuasively. Give thanks for all who have ensured worship has been offered and effective communication maintained through and beyond the changes forced upon us by Covid.
Porvoo	<i>England</i> : St Edmundsbury & Ipswich, Bishop Martin Seeley, Bishop Mike Harrison; <i>Scotland</i> : Aberdeen & Orkney, Bishop Anne Dyer.
Today	Roadpeace service at the Cathedral, 3.30 pm
The Wider View	Germany will have acquired a new Bundestag and Chancellor at about the time this edition of the Prayer Diary started. After sixteen years with Angela Merkel as Chancellor a substantial degree of political change is inevitable whatever the election result. Pray for the new government and its leaders.
This Week	<p>“Meekness and majesty . . . Bow down and worship, for this is our God.” May Christ our King rule in our hearts and lives.</p> <p>On Roadpeace Sunday, pray for those leading and organising special services on this day, and for those who will attend; pray for all affected by road traffic accidents, those bereaved and those living with permanent injuries and disabilities; also for emergency services personnel, funeral directors, etc.</p> <p>We remember Cecilia on Monday, and the hymn-writer Isaac Watts on Thursday. Cecilia is regarded as a patron of music and choirs; give thanks for all who enrich our worship by their singing, and pray for choirs preparing their Christmas music. Give thanks too for all whose words set to music inspire our worship, for our rich inheritance of hymns and anthems, and for those who continue to write and compose songs of faith and praise.</p> <p>Give thanks for the playgroups and nurseries that serve our communities, and pray for those who lead and organise them; pray too for pram services, playgroups and other activities for young children and their parents or carers within our churches.</p> <p>Thursday this week is Carer’s Rights Day in the UK. Much of the work of caring for those who need support is done by family or friends, who can often feel isolated from sources of help and support. This day aims to ensure carers are aware of their rights and of the sources of help available to them. Pray for those caring for others in our own communities, and consider how they may be supported.</p> <p>Pray for the people and churches of the United States of America, as Thanksgiving Day is celebrated on Thursday.</p>
Monday 22nd November: Cecilia, martyr	
Anglican	Ibadan North (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Most Revd Segun Okubadejo.

Hereford	Westbury, Worthen & Yockleton: David Moss, Ruth Leigh; Readers - Christine Jones, Ian Williams; Reader in Training - Claire Williams; Lay Leaders of Worship – Ann Jones, Vicky Jones, Rosemary Williams, Dave Stone; Long Mountain School, Worthen; Trinity School, Ford.
Tuesday 23rd November: Clement, bishop and martyr	
Anglican	Ibadan South (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt. Revd Akintunde Popoola.
Hereford	<i>Finance and Giving:</i> Stephen Herbert, Director of Finance, Kate Bayliss, Financial Controller, Lorraine Aitken and Sallyann Hales, Financial Assistants.
Wednesday 24th November	
Anglican	Ibba (Province of Western Equatoria, Nigeria) - The Rt Rev Wilson Kamani.
Hereford	<i>Finance and Giving:</i> Pray that parishes may respond to the challenge set by Covid, and work to improve giving and offer, so that the deficit in our diocesan budget is reduced. Pray for Mark Simmons as Giving Adviser, and all who work with him.
Thursday 25th November: Catherine, martyr; Isaac Watts, hymn writer	
Anglican	Idah (Province of Lokoja, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Joseph Musa.
Hereford	<i>Finance and Giving:</i> Pray for all members of the Diocesan Board of Finance, its Executive and advisory bodies: for careful and prudent administration of our finances to provide a base for outreach and mission, even in testing times.
Today	Creative RE - teaching about Judaism / Bishop's Council
Friday 26th November	
Anglican	Idaho (Province VIII, TEC) - The Rt Revd Brian Thom.
Hereford	<i>Finance and Giving:</i> Give thanks for the opportunities provided by the Parish Giving Scheme, and pray for its continued development and take-up.
Today	Teaching RE in Early Years Foundation Stage
Saturday 27th November	
Anglican	Ideato (Province of Owerri, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Henry Okeke.
Hereford	<i>Finance and Giving:</i> Pray that our churches may continue to maintain their commitment to home and world mission through this time. Give thanks for the sharing of ideas and initiatives for fundraising when some traditional events are limited by Covid.
Prayer <i>Iona prayer used at Roadpeace services</i>	<p>You are before us, Lord, you are behind, you are in the light and in the darkness, you see our most public face; you know the secret thoughts of every heart. We bring the faith that is in us, and the doubt; we bring the joy that is in us, and the sorrow, we bring the pride that is in us, and the shame; we bring the knowledge that is in us, and the ignorance; we bring the hope that is in us, and the despair; we bring the courage that is in us, and the fear. Guide us by your spirit, strengthen us in our journey.</p>

SUNDAY 28th November: 1st of Advent	
Anglican	Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil (The Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil) - The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes, Presiding Bishop.
Hereford	<i>Ross and Archenfield Deanery:</i> Rural Dean – Sean Semple; Lay Co-Chair – Patrick Darling; Assistant Rural Dean – Tim Starling; Assistant Lay Chair – Gill Wylie; Sub-Warden of Readers – Rev Chris Blanchard.
Porvoo	<i>Scotland:</i> St Andrews, Dunkeld & Dunblane, Bishop Ian Paton; <i>Finland:</i> Porvoo, Bishop Bo-Göran Åstrand.
The Wider View	Pray for all in our world whose lives and livelihoods have been impacted by natural disasters, severe weather and the changes caused by global warming. Give thanks for those who organise and co-ordinate emergency relief, as well as longer term programmes of rebuilding. Pray for those caught in situations where the impact of disasters of this sort is worsened by political unrest, ethnic or cultural divisions and corruption.
This Week	<p>As Advent begins, may the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our hearts and lives. Pray for Advent events, including special services and courses of study, and that the keeping of this season as a time of preparation may not be swamped by the tide of the commercial Christmas.</p> <p>Andrew is celebrated as the first Christian missionary, having brought his brother Simon Peter to Jesus; and the eve of St Andrew's Day is designated a day of prayer for the Church in mission. Pray for the mission organisations of the Church of England and of the wider Communion, and for mission from everywhere to everywhere, in which all can learn, give, and receive.</p> <p>The deacon Nicholas Ferrar, commemorated on Saturday, founded the religious community at Little Gidding with his extended family. The community had no Rule, vows or enclosure, but there would always be someone praying, they lived simply and had a strict daily routine. Pray for communities today seeking to live in a simple way together, in the service of Christ.</p> <p>National Tree Week this week may well be marked by tree planting activities, and is a reminder of the importance of trees, particularly as we look to a more sustainable way of life and aim to reduce climate change. Give thanks for our trees, and pray we may conserve and expand woodland areas.</p> <p>Computer Security Day on Tuesday aims to ensure that our IT equipment is secure and protected - a reminder too of how much we depend on computer technology in all aspects of our lives - a useful tool that can do great harm if used badly or thoughtlessly - pray for caution and care, and thought for others.</p> <p>World AIDS Day is Wednesday, and Thursday marks the Day for the Abolition of Slavery. Pray for the continuing campaign to combat HIV, and for effective AIDS education; pray too for the many people in our world who still live in conditions of virtual slavery, and for their freedom.</p>
Monday 29th November: Day of intercession for the missionary work of the Church	
Anglican	Idoani (Province of Ondo, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Adegoke Oludare Agara.
Hereford	Ross with Walford and Brampton Abbots: Sean Semple, Tiffany Jackson,

	Curate, Caroline Pascoe, Associate Priest, Chris Blanchard, Associate Priest; Canon Freda Davies, Reader, Colin Leggate, Chaplain to Commerce, Industry and Business. Brampton Abbots CE School; Ashfield Park Primary School; St Joseph's RC Primary School; Walford Primary School; John Kyrle High School; Ross Community Hospital.
Today	Clerks to the Governors forum
Tuesday 30th November: Andrew, apostle	
Anglican	Ife (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Olubunmi Akinlade.
Hereford	<i>StowCaple Benefice</i> – Sellack, Kings Caple, Bridstow, Peterstow, Foy, How Caple, Sollershope: Crispin Pemberton; Bridstow CE Primary School, Kings Caple Primary School.
Today	Training on “Supporting Pupils through Grief and Loss”
Wednesday 1st December: Charles de Foucauld, hermit	
Anglican	Ife East (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Oluseyi Oyelade.
Hereford	<i>Ariconium Benefice</i> – Aston Ingham, Hope Mansel, Linton, The Lea, Upton Bishop & Weston-under-Penyard: David Howell; Reader –Tony Morgan; Weston-under-Penyard CE Primary School; The Lea CE Primary School.
Thursday 2nd December	
Anglican	Ifo (Province of Lagos, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Nathaniel Ogundipe.
Hereford	<i>Wye Reaches Group</i> - Dixton & Wyesham, Whitchurch & Ganarew, Bishopswood: Tim Starling; Associate Priest - Penny Powdrill, Assistant Priest - Jill Stephens; Whitchurch CE Primary School; Kymin View Primary School, Wyesham.
Today	Head teachers' half-termly briefing
Friday 3rd December: Francis Xavier, missionary	
Anglican	Igbomina (Province of Kwara, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Emmanuel Adekola.
Hereford	<i>Wye Brooks Benefice</i> - Goodrich w Welsh Bicknor, Marstow, Llangarron, Llangrove, Welsh Newton w Llanrothal: Ben Bentham; Assistant Curates - Penny Powdrill and Jill Stephens; Goodrich CE Primary School; Llangrove CE Primary School; and the Benefice LMDG.
Saturday 4th December: John of Damascus, monk; Nicholas Ferrar, deacon	
Anglican	Igbomina West (Province of Kwara, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Olajide Adebayo.
Hereford	<i>Archenfield Group Ministry: St Weonards Benefice and Wormelow Hundred Benefice. St Weonards Benefice:</i> St Weonards, Orcop, Garway, Tretire w Michaelchurch&Pencoyd, Hoarwithy & Hentland: vacant; Associate Minister - Frances Phillips; St Weonards Primary School; Garway Primary School. <i>Wormelow Hundred Benefice:</i> Much Birch, Little Birch, Much Dewchurch, Llanwarne, Llandinabo, Dewsall with Callow: Mark Johnson; Much Birch CE Primary School; Hereford Steiner Academy, Much Dewchurch.
Prayer <i>A short prayer at Advent</i>	Open our hearts in welcome, Lord, and take away all that hinders us from receiving Christ with joy. So may we share his wisdom, and be one with him when he comes in glory.

SUNDAY 5th December: 2nd of Advent	
Anglican	The Anglican Church of Burundi - The Most Revd Sixbert Macumi, Archbishop.
Hereford	Pray for all that ensures and enables the protection and safe care of all who attend and work within our churches, and especially of children and vulnerable adults, and as we select and appoint. Pray for Mandy McPhee, Safeguarding Officer, and her colleagues; pray too for those responsible for safeguarding in each local benefice and church.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Chester, Bishop Mark Tanner, Bishop Julie Conalty, Bishop Sam Corley; <i>Finland:</i> Kuopio, Bishop Jari Jolkkonen.
The Wider View	Pray that as travel restrictions (we hope) continue to ease, there will be a renewed interest in our links with Nuremberg, and that new links may be formed. Pray for exchange visits, planned or possible, and that a further intergenerational exchange may take place.
This Week	<p>As well as children and pawnbrokers, Nicholas is the patron saint of sailors. Pray for the safety of those who sail the seas today, and for the Mission to Seafarers and other organisations providing shelter, advice, and at times much needed support where crews are exploited or treated unfairly.</p> <p>Ember Days are by tradition days to reflect on vocation and call to ministry. Pray for those from our own Diocese in training at this time (see the back page of the Diary), for all considering a sense of God's call, and for Neil Patterson and those who work with him to advise and direct.</p> <p>Streets and sometimes whole villages in parts of our country will be illuminated at this time of the year with Christmas lights - often in support of charities. Give thanks for those who each year raise money in this way, and for others collecting in stores, shopping malls or on streets, perhaps while singing carols.</p> <p>Ex Cathedra are singing by candlelight in the Cathedral on Thursday. Pray for this concert and all the concerts of Christmas music happening at this time.</p> <p>Saturday is International Mountain Day, a day to recall the importance of mountains, and to consider how our upland wild places may be conserved and kept safe. Pray for tourism in mountainous areas to be sustainable and managed in a way that does not endanger the special wildlife of these parts.</p> <p>Pray for those who work in the retail trade, as the busy pre-Christmas rush gets under way. It is likely that this Christmas will be marked by higher prices and some shortages, due to logistical problems and the much higher cost of containers. There will also be increases in the cost of domestic fuel. Pray for those families who will feel pressured to spend more than they can afford in the run-up to Christmas.</p> <p>Pray for our schools, as they plan and prepare for nativity plays and other pre-Christmas activities, and for church events for families and children, such as Messy Christmas.</p>
Monday 6th December: Nicholas, bishop	
Anglican	Ihiala (Province of Niger, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Israel 'Kelue Okoye.
Hereford	<i>South Wye Rural benefice:</i> Ballingham, Dinedor, Holme Lacy & Little

	Dewchurch (recently transferred to Ross & Archenfield Deanery from Hereford): vacant.
Tuesday 7th December: Ambrose, bishop and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	Ijebu (Province of Lagos, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Peter Rotimi Oludipe.
Hereford	<i>Church governance:</i> Pray for churchwardens, church officers and members of parochial church councils.
Today	Bishop's Staff
Wednesday 8th December: Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Ember Day	
Anglican	Ijebu North (Province of Lagos, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Solomon Kuponu.
Hereford	<i>Church governance:</i> Pray for all involved with the conservation and care of our church buildings, and for their development to meet changing needs, via faculty legislation. Pray for DAC members, church architects and surveyors, skilled craftspeople, for the Diocesan Registry, and for all who offer advice, support and direction to the local church.
Thursday 9th December	
Anglican	Ijebu South-west (Province of Lagos, Nigeria) - The Rt Rev Babatunde Ogunbanwo.
Hereford	<i>Church governance:</i> Pray for all members of Deanery Synods, for Rural Deans and Lay Co-Chairs, for Deanery Treasurers and Secretaries, and for all involved in the development of strategies for mission and pastoral outreach.
Friday 10th December: Ember Day	
Anglican	Ijesa North-east (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Joseph Olusola.
Hereford	<i>Church governance:</i> Pray for the members and officers of Diocesan Synod / Board of Finance, and for the members of Bishop's Council.
Saturday 11th December: Ember Day	
Anglican	Ijesa North (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Isaac Oluyamo.
Hereford	<i>Church governance:</i> Pray for those who represent our Diocese on General Synod and other provincial or national bodies, and within our ecumenical and partnership links.
Prayer <i>Ambrose</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">O Lord teach me to seek you, and reveal yourself to me when I seek you.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For I cannot seek you unless you first teach me, nor find you unless you first reveal yourself to me.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Let me seek you in longing, and long for you in seeking. Let me find you in love, and love you in finding.</p>

SUNDAY 12th December: 3rd of Advent

Anglican	The Anglican Church of Canada - The Most Revd Linda Nicholls, Primate.
Hereford	<i>Telford Severn Gorge Deanery:</i> Rural Dean – Christopher Penn; Lay Co-Chair – Carilyn Simkin; Sub-Warden of Readers – Garry Ward.
Porvoo	<i>England:</i> Southwell and Nottingham, Bishop Paul Williams, Bishop Tony Porter; <i>Norway:</i> Borg, Bishop Atle Sommerfeldt.
The Wider View	Pray for all the school links between Hereford and Tanzania, especially where British Council grants are being applied for. Give thanks for the many ways in which we can support and learn from each other.
This Week	<p>UK National Workplace Day of Remembrance takes place on December 12th each year, so this year on Sunday. It's a time to remember all who have lost their lives at work, whatever the job they do, and to pray that all may be able to work in safe conditions.</p> <p>John of the Cross, whose day is Tuesday, inspires prayer for all who seek to express the life of the soul in words of poetry, and for the use of poetry within our public worship and our private prayer.</p> <p>O Sapientia (Friday) marks the beginning of the last week before Christmas, and is the first of the Great Advent Antiphons, each of which takes a title from the Old Testament for the coming King. O Sapientia (“O Wisdom”) is the only title listed in our lectionary, but the others are 18th December: O Adonai (O Lord); 19th December: O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse); 20th December: O Clavis David (O Key of David); 21st December: O Oriens (O Dayspring); 22nd December: O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations); 23rd December: O Emmanuel (O God with Us). Pray for our keeping of these last days of Advent. Pray for those preparing for next year’s delayed Lambeth Conference, and for the “Big Hello” - a hospitality process within the various dioceses of the “home nations” in the week before the conference itself.</p> <p>Pray for those within our communities who are without a permanent home, some may be sofa-surfing or sleeping on floors, and some will be actually on the streets. Many have issues such as mental illness or addiction, others may simply have fallen through a gap in the system or have been impacted by a traumatic life event like marriage breakdown. Some may be here illegally. All need help and support, especially as the weather turns cold. Pray for all who are homeless, and for agencies such as Shelter, Crisis, the Salvation Army and local night shelters seeking to respond to their needs.</p> <p>Pray particularly for all who live with addictions of various kinds, for whom Christmas can be a particularly difficult and risky time, and for organisations and charities offering help and support to those with addictive behaviour.</p> <p>Pray for all our church musicians. Many churches struggle to find people to play the organ on a regular basis - pray for more to come forward and offer their services; give thanks for those who do, and also for projects aimed at addressing the “organist shortage”, such as the organists’ training scheme in our own Diocese.</p>

Monday 13th December: Lucy, martyr; <i>Samuel Johnson, moralist</i>	
Anglican	Ijumu (Province of Lokoja, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Paul Ojo.
Hereford	Broseley with Benthall, Jackfield, Linley with Willey & Barrow: Christopher Penn; Reader – Rebecca Wood; Local Ministry Development Group: Ann Wall, Sheila Whittles, Mary Kendal, Rebecca Wood, Brian Allaway, Barrow 1618 Free School; Broseley CE Primary School; John Wilkinson Primary School.
Tuesday 14th December: John of the Cross, poet and teacher of the faith	
Anglican	Ikara (Province of Kaduna, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Yusuf Janfalan.
Hereford	Coalbrookdale, Ironbridge & Little Wenlock: Ernest Okeke; Reader – Carilyn Simkin; Coalbrookdale and Ironbridge CE Primary School. Pray for these parishes as they welcome their new incumbent.
Today	Safeguarding Working Group
Wednesday 15th December	
Anglican	Ikeduru (Province of Owerri, Nigeria) - The Rt Rev Emmanuel Maduwike.
Hereford	<i>Madeley:</i> St Michael's Madeley – Alan Walden, Iain McIntyre, Rosemary Freeman; Reader – Jan Holt.
Thursday 16th December	
Anglican	Ikka (Province of Bendel, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Godfrey Ekpenisi.
Hereford	Sutton Hill and Woodside – Dawn Taffinder. Intergenerational Worker - Beckie Dotson.
Friday 17th December: <i>O Sapientia; Eglantyne Jebb, social reformer</i>	
Anglican	Ikwerre (Province of the Niger Delta, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Blessing Enyindah.
Hereford	John Fletcher of Madeley Primary School; William Reynolds Primary School; Sir Alexander Fleming Primary School; Haughton Special Primary School; John Randall Primary School; St Mary's RC Primary School; Woodlands Primary School; Abraham Darby Academy; Madeley Academy.
Saturday 18th December	
Anglican	Ikwo (Province of Enugu, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Kenneth Ifemene.
Hereford	Pray for all who exercise a ministry of prayer and in this way provide support and sustenance to the life, work and mission of their local church.
Prayer <i>O Sapientia</i>	<p style="text-align: center;">O highest Wisdom, come, come to thy people, O Lord.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The sweetness of thy counsel reaches from the end of creation and unto the farthest end again, ordering all things that are.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To us, O mighty Saviour, thy discerning judgment teach. “The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">O highest Wisdom come, come to thy people, O Lord.</p>

SUNDAY 19th December: 4th of Advent

Anglican	The Province of Central Africa - The Most Revd Albert Chama, Archbishop.
Hereford	Pray that in all the ministry we offer we may affirm the rights, abilities and value of every person, whatever their age, gender, ethnicity or background, and that our planning, decision making and selection and appointment processes may reflect this as a mission priority.
Porvoo	<i>Norway</i> : Oslo, Bishop Kari Veiteberg; <i>England</i> : Durham, Bishop Paul Butler, Bishop Sarah Clark; <i>Scotland</i> : Moray, Ross & Caithness, Bishop Mark Strange.
The Wider View	As we approach Christmas, we remember that the child Jesus spent time as a refugee from the cruelties of Herod. Pray for the refugee, homeless and stateless people of our world today, and for those countries hosting large numbers of refugees. Pray too for the resettlement of Afghan families in the UK, including our own local area.
This Week	<p>Pray for all who will be travelling this week to be with families or friends over Christmas, and pray that they may do so safely. Pray too for those who will be apart from families and friends over Christmas for whatever reason.</p> <p>Pray that our churches may be places of warmth and welcome over this Christmas time, and that we may communicate our faith to those who are with us as visitors or perhaps as enquirers. Pray too for the many people who come to spend time in our churchyards at family graves, some of whom may have travelled a considerable distance to pay their family respects.</p> <p>Pray for those who will be working over Christmas to ensure that our essential and emergency services are functioning, and that our celebrations can take place in comfort and safety. Pray for farmers too, and all who have the care of livestock.</p> <p>Pray for our pre-Christmas services and events this week, such as crib services, carol singing around the streets, events in pubs, nursing homes, community halls and other places where we bring our Christmas message to those who might not otherwise hear it in church. Pray too for lessons and carols and similar services in our churches, and for church and community choirs and singing groups.</p> <p>As the school Christmas break begins, for most children this will be a special time of fun and enjoyment; pray though for those children who are neglected or treated badly, and who may be at particular risk over Christmas. Pray too for those families wanting to do their best, but already struggling to get by.</p> <p>Pray for hospital and health staff through the winter period, and that the combination of flu, other winter ailments and the Covid virus will not find our health services swamped and unable to keep up with demand.</p> <p>Pray for our outreach to those who spend Christmas housebound or otherwise alone, and for community and church schemes to provide a Christmas meal for those who might not otherwise have one.</p> <p>Give thanks for those who will be ringing our church bells at Christmas and New Year, and for all who within our regular teams of ringers call the faithful to</p>

	worship week by week. Pray for Ringers' Associations and for training, and that more will come forward to offer themselves as ringers.
Monday 20th December	
Anglican	Ikwuano (Province of Aba, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Chigozirim Onyegbule.
Hereford	<i>Outreach and mission:</i> Pray for those "on the fringe" of our churches, and for each church in its outreach to the wider community, and especially at this season to those who join us at Christmas but rarely at other times.
Tuesday 21st December	
Anglican	Ilaje (Province of Ondo, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Fredrick Olugbemi.
Hereford	<i>Outreach and mission:</i> Pray for our support for the World Church via mission and aid associations and through our local contacts and links, giving thanks for all we can learn and receive from the faith and ministry of others.
Wednesday 22nd December	
Anglican	Ile-Oluji (Province of Ondo, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Abel Oluyemi Ajibodu.
Hereford	<i>Outreach and mission:</i> Pray for all newly coming to faith, for their welcome and nurture. Pray for churches using Alpha, Emmaus, Life on the Frontline and other courses to lead people into faith or to encourage them in discipleship.
Thursday 23rd December	
Anglican	Ilesa (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Olubayo Sowale.
Hereford	<i>Support for Ministry:</i> Christine Pepler, Church and Society Link Officer, and all that encourages and supports social responsibility, care and action within our Diocese. Pray for churches seeking to respond to issues of environmental concern, and to work to lighten their carbon footprint, for the Marches Christian Environmental Network and churches participating in the Eco Church scheme sponsored by La Rocha.
Friday 24th December: Christmas Eve	
Anglican	Ilesa South-west (Province of Ibadan, Nigeria) - The Rt Revd Samuel Egbeunmi.
Hereford	Pray for all who will visit our churches this Christmas, and for those who, though not church attenders, will be visiting our church buildings and churchyards over this time.
Saturday 25th December: CHRISTMAS DAY	
Anglican	North East India (Church of North India) - The Rt Revd Michael Herenz.
Hereford	Pray for our cathedral and the other "great churches" of our Diocese, and for choirs, musicians, ringers and others in churches large and small as we share with our communities the joy of Christmas.
Prayer <i>Robert Louis Stevenson</i>	Loving Father, help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men. Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

Curates in Training:

Sue Jelleyman (year 4 - Ape Dale)
Tom King (year 4 - Bridgnorth & Morville))
David Poyner (year 4 - Severn Valley)
Elliot Swattridge (year 4 - Ss Peter & James, Hfd)
Alison Walker (year 4 - Wenlock Team)
Linda MacDermott (year 3 - Kington)
David Wyatt (year 3 - Canon Pyon)
Iain McIntyre (year 3 - Madeley)
Jo Jennings (year 2 - West Hereford)
Lawrence Gittins (year 2 - Ludlow)
Tiffany Jackson (year 2 - Ross)
Joe Simons (year 2 - Cleobury Mortimer)
Katie Smith (year 2 - Kingsland)
David Andrews (Year 1 - Church Stretton)
Luke Ayles (Year 1 - Ss Peter & James, Hereford)
Lauren Bell (Year 1 - St Martin, Hereford)
Lois Beynon (Year 1)
Erin Butler (Year 1 - Holmer with Huntington)
(Joe) Stanley Chipper (Year 1 - Tupsley etc)
Wayne Davies (Year 1 - Ludlow)
Angie Kateley (Year 1 - Abbeydore)
Natalie Jennings (Year 1 - Maund Group)
Ruth Leigh (Year 1 - Westbury, Worthen & Yockleton)
Lizzy Womack (Year 1 - Tenbury Team)

Ordinands in Training:

Michael Aylmer (Cuddesdon)
Sam Burgoyne (Queen's, Birmingham)
Jo Child (CGH)
Fiona Honeysett (CGH)
Tracy Jones (CGH)
Sarah Lupton (Queen's, Birmingham)
Rosie Roberts (Queen's, Birmingham)
William Talbot-Ponsonby (CGH)
Angie Forster (CGH)

Interns ("Discover"):

Ewan Gillings (Maund & Frome Valley)

Warden and Sub-Wardens of Readers:

Acting Warden: Rev Neil Patterson

Sub-Wardens:

Abbeydore - vacant
Bromyard – vacant
Hereford - Malcolm Robertson
Kington & Weobley - Henry Verwey
Ledbury - Chris Blanchard / Linde Melhuish
Leominster - Michael Kneen
Ross & Archenfield - Christopher Blanchard
Bridgnorth - Garry Ward
Clun Forest - Jonathan Kemp
Condover - Nancy Cleaton
Ludlow - John Beesley
Pontesbury - Nancy Cleaton
Telford Severn Gorge - Garry Ward

Readers in Training:

Mark Simmons - Orleton
Jennifer White - Bucknell
Claire Williams – Westbury
Wendy Maddocks - Kingsland

Intergenerational Missioners:

Kate King, working in Bridgnorth
Geri Miller - Abbeydore
Wayne Davies - Ludlow
Christine Cattanach - Sutton
David Bland and Jo Child - South Wye
Beckie Dotson - Sutton Hill & Woodside
Mark Hackney - Pontesbury Deanery