

Prayer Calendar

March 2025

Saturday, 1 God of all, as we remember David, Dewi Sant, we give thanks for our neighbours in Wales and the connections between Wales and South West England. We thank you for the blessing of Celtic Christianity which enriches the spiritual life of so many.

Sunday, 2 Lord God, as we gather to worship you in spirit and truth, enrich us and sustain us as we go out into the world to live and tell the story of Jesus.

Monday, 3 Loving God, this month the Education department meet with Multi-Academy Trusts for their annual reviews. May God bless and enrich these conversations, so that children and young people might flourish.

Tuesday, 4 Lord, as Zambia faces the challenge of electing two new bishops for Central and Luapula Dioceses, grant them wisdom and clarity to find faithful shepherds who will lead with truth and grace.

Wednesday, 5 Holy God, our lives are laid open before you: rescue us from the chaos of sin and through the death of your Son bring us healing and make us whole in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thursday, 6 Loving God, as we embark on our journey through Lent, we ask you to bless and inspire all those leading or attending Lent Groups. May this be a time to draw closer to you.

Friday, 7 Living Lord, we pray for the benefices in Glastonbury Deanery, particularly for the ongoing reorganisation and the benefices involved. We remember too, the deanery focus on 'Tell' and the ways that we tell your Good News across parishes, benefices and through schools and others.

Saturday, 8 Loving God, we ask you to guide us and give us wisdom, courage and healing, so that our world might come to treat all people as "fearfully and wonderfully made."

Sunday, 9 Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may be witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, 10 Heavenly Father, we pray for all the member countries of the Commonwealth and for King Charles, its Head. May it be a beacon of cooperation and a model of reconciliation and mutual respect. May your church be blessed and nurtured wherever it is established.

Tuesday, 11 Loving God, we give thanks for PCC members around our diocese. Bless them as they seek to care for your Church, share the Gospel and serve their communities.

Wednesday, 12 Lord, bless the youth of Zambia with strength, wisdom, and purpose, that they may rise as leaders of hope and change. May they walk in faith and unity, building a future filled with justice, peace, and opportunity.

Thursday, 13 Heavenly Father, we pray for all Readers in the diocese, whatever their calling. May they be filled with your love, peace, and stillness in a time of reflection during Lent. As they look to help carry the cross in the name of Jesus.

Friday, 14 Lord, we lift to you the parishes of the Quantock Group Ministry; their congregations and communities, and the officers, assistants, Readers and clergy who serve their churches. Pour out your Spirit upon them and move in power to bring your Gospel to all parts and people of the Deanery.

Saturday, 15 God, Father of all, we ask you to bless our Diocesan Synod as it meets today. Give all involved the grace to listen attentively to you and each other so that decisions and discussions reflect your desires rather than our own.

Sunday, 16 Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in His way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, 17	Loving God, we give you thanks today for our Diocesan Secretary. We ask you to bless her in her leadership and her life so that she may thrive as she seeks to enable the work of mission and ministry in our diocese.	Tuesday, 25	God of love, we pray for the leaders from across the southwest gathering in Taunton as part of the region's Growing Faith Strategic Leaders' Programme. Inspire and enthuse these leaders as they build relationships and consider culture change in their context.
Tuesday, 18	God of mission and venture, we pray for all churches seeking to share the good news. May your Holy Spirit give them courage and wisdom to live and tell the story of Jesus in ways which engage with the community where they serve.	Wednesday, 26	God of hope, give us faith that even the smallest seed can grow into a great tree, so that when we are afraid or despairing, we are able to remember that all things are possible with you.
Wednesday, 19	Heavenly Father, we pray that the rainy season in Zambia has been fruitful; bringing food, water, and hydro-electric power. Bless the hospitals and clinics with strength and resources as they continue to care for those affected by malaria during the rains, as well as covid and other illnesses.	Thursday, 27	God of amazing creativity, we pray for all Lay Worship Assistants in their planning, preparing and leading of services. May the worship which is offered bring people closer to you.
Thursday, 20	Teacher God, we pray for our school leaders and parish partners gathering at Flourish House over the next two days for their annual conference. Bless these leaders as they seek to help those in their local community flourish and to know life in all its fullness.	Friday, 28	God of peace, in a world troubled by conflict, help us to dare to build peace wherever we are and so let your light shine in the world.
Friday, 21	Father, we remember Thomas Cranmer, and also our Magnificat parishes today. Help everyone who works in these parishes to be a bright light to all and to be courageous as they work in Christ to transform lives.	Saturday, 29	God of life and love, we thank you for the gift of love and pray for all those who feel unloved and isolated. Circle us Lord so that we may experience the height, breadth and depth of your unconditional love.
Saturday, 22	God of creativity, we thank you for those Readers, deacons and priests who have permission to officiate and who generously offer their ministry to churches in our diocese. Bless them and all whom they serve.	Sunday, 30	Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, come to our aid and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Sunday, 23	Eternal God, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.	Monday, 31	God of the Universe, as we remember John Donne, poet and priest, we ask you to help us remember that 'no man is an island, entire of itself.' Help us to remember that we are part of the body of Christ and to be willing to play our part alongside others.
Monday, 24	Sacrificial God, as we remember Óscar Romero today, archbishop and martyr, we ask you to embolden us to have the courage to speak out against injustice wherever it might be.		

