

Cycle of Prayer March 2018

As we journey through the Lent we pray for the people in places of conflict

A Prayer for Peace

Spirit of wisdom, truth and grace,
we pray for all who are working for peace in places of conflict today.
For international leaders holding a thread of control,
for the politicians holding a thread of power,
for the religious leaders holding a thread of authority,
for the fighters holding a thread of influence,
and the citizens clinging to a thread of hope.
Bring unity through the order of justice.
Bring reconciliation through truthful dialogue.
Bring new life through patient diplomacy,
determined mediation and courageous peace-making.
We pray in the name of Christ, our inspiration and confidence.
Amen.

A Prayer for the Victims of conflict

We pray for those damaged by the fighting
To the wounded and injured:
Come Lord Jesus.
To the terrified who are living in shock:
Come Lord Jesus
To the hungry and homeless, refugee and exile:
Come Lord Jesus
To those bringing humanitarian aid:
Give protection Lord Jesus
To those administering medical assistance:
Give protection Lord Jesus.
To those offering counsel and care:
Give protection Lord Jesus.
For all making the sacrifice of love:
Give the strength of your Spirit
and the joy of your comfort.
In the hope of Christ we pray.
Amen.

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| Monday 26 <i>Holy Week</i> | We pray for all those preparing to speak of the Easter message; that the story of the Saviour's love will be told in words and ways that will be understood Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me |
| Tuesday 27 | In a United Benefice of the parish of All Saints, Matlock Bank Clergy Richard Reade, Anne Phillips, Reader John Paulson, PCC and the congregation |
| Wednesday 28 | In a United Benefice of the parish of Holy Trinity Tansley Clergy: Rev Richard Reade, Readers John Paulson, PCC and the congregation We pray for courage to give up all things and to give ourselves to him this Holy Week. |
| Thursday 29 <i>Mundy Thursday</i> | Clergy gathering in Derby Cathedral this morning to celebrate Communion and re-new their Ordination vows As we thank God for the institution of the sacrament of Holy Communion, pray that we may grow in love for God and for each other. We pray for all those who have left the church for whatever reason Make me in all things more and more like thee |
| Friday 30 <i>Good Friday</i> | As we remember Christ's sacrifice on the cross, pray for strength that we may take up our own cross and follow him. We pray for all the outdoor acts of witness taking place today We call to mind our sin and the infinite mercy of God |
| Saturday 31 <i>Easter Eve</i> | Pray for all those facing death that they may find peace through Christ. May the wounded hands of Jesus bring his healing touch, |

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| Thursday 1 <i>St David's Day</i> | Pray for the church in Wales and its , Archbishop The Most Reverend John Davies Rt Rev Joanna Penberth, Bishop of St Davids Rt Rev Andy John, Bishop of Bangor Rt Rev Gregory Cameron, Bishop of St Asaph Rt Rev Richard Pain, Bishop of Monmouth Rt Rev June Osborne, Bishop of Llandaff |
| Friday 2 | On this Women's world day of prayer we pray for the women of Suriname and those women meeting to pray in UK. The focus of prayer is on caring for God's very good creation Lord God, you come to us with tender love. Today we pray for women who suffer, who have been humiliated, harassed and stigmatised, beaten, tortured, threatened, and silenced And we give thanks for the witness of women, unnamed and unsung, who have refused to be shamed or silenced, who have stood up and stood out for justice and truth. Blessed are you, gracious God who has created women in your image. |
| Saturday 3 | Diocesan synod meeting today |
| Sunday 4 <i>Lent 3</i> | Carsington Deanery Area Dean: Revd Duncan Ballard Lay Chairs: John Paulson and Martin Forrest |
| Monday 5 | In a United Benefice the parish of St Michael & All Angels Alsop-en-Dale Clergy: Rev Andy Larkin; Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation |
| Tuesday 6 | In a United Benefice the parish of St Peter Parwich Clergy: Rev Andy Larkin; Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation |
| Wednesday 7 | In a United Benefice the parish of St Mary Tissington, Clergy: Rev Andy Larkin; Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation |
| Thursday 8 | In a United Benefice the parish of St Edmund King & Martyr, Fenny Bentley, Clergy: Rev Andy Larkin; Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation |
| Friday 9 | In a United Benefice the parish of St Leonard Thorpe, Clergy: Rev Andy Larkin; Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation |
| Saturday 10 | The Revd Canon Carol Coslett who will be collated as Archdeacon of Chesterfield at this afternoon at St Mary and All Saints, Chesterfield |
| Sunday 11 <i>Lent 4</i> <i>Mothering Sunday</i> | God of power and presence, we pray for: women who must give birth in dangerous or squalid conditions; women who are in anguish because they do not have the resources to care for their children adequately. And that our own homes may be places of love, security and peace. And for those who have no loving home The work of the Mother's Union: the Derbyshire President Mrs Wendy Fitch. Pray for all mothers, step-mothers and mothers-to-be that they may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit in their work to raise their children in God's love. |
| Monday 12 | Working from Church House the Finance team Martyn Marples, Mandy Pamon, Sophie Shields |
| Tuesday 13 | Working from Church House the Property team: Graham Webster, Teresa Pumfrey, Nigel Sherratt, Clinton Walker, Sarah Legg |
| Wednesday 14 | in a United Benefice the parish of St Giles, Matlock, Clergy: Mark Crowther-Alwyn; PCC and the congregation |

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| Thursday 15 | in a United Benefice the parish of Christ Church Lea and Holloway Clergy: Mark Crowther-Alwyn; PCC and the congregation |
| Friday 16 | in a United Benefice the parish of St John the Baptist Dethick Clergy: Mark Crowther-Alwyn; PCC and the congregation |
| Saturday 17 <i>St Patrick</i> | For those who will bring children for Baptism or who are preparing themselves to be Baptised or Confirmed |
| Sunday 18 <i>Passion Sunday</i> <i>Lent 5</i> <i>Joseph of Nazareth</i> | Pray for all Street Pastors as they work to bring God's love to our city streets through engaging with people on the streets to care, listen and dialogue. Pray for all Fathers that they may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit in their work to raise their children in God's love. God of our journey, as we walk with you on your path of obedience, sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory |
| Monday 19 | For those who have the opportunity to speak about faith in the media |
| Tuesday 20 <i>St Cuthbert</i> | in a United Benefice the parish of Holy Trinity Matlock Bath Clergy: Nick Grayshon, Readers David Green, Bernice Smith, Michael Wilderspin, PCC and the congregation |
| Wednesday 21 <i>Cranmer</i> | in a United Benefice the parish of St Mary Cromford Clergy: Nick Grayshon, Readers David Green, Bernice Smith, Michael Wilderspin, PCC and the congregation |
| Thursday 22 | in a United Benefice the parish of St Helen Darley, Clergy: Stephen Monk; Readers, PCC and the congregation |
| Friday 23 | in a United Benefice the parish of St Mary the Virgin South Darley Clergy: Stephen Monk; Readers, PCC and the congregation |
| Saturday 24 | in a United Benefice the parish of St John the Baptist Winstler; Clergy: Stephen Monk; Readers, PCC and the congregation |
| Sunday 25 <i>Palm Sunday</i> | For all those who will receive a Palm Cross today, that we will be faithful to Christ |