Thursday 25th

Continue to pray for everyone involved in the process of seeking a new Vicar for our Church. Ask God to guide them to the person of his choice.

Friday 26th Persecuted but not forgotten: Colombia

Pray that new believers from criminal or indigenous backgrounds will inspire others with their courageous faith.

Saturday 27th

Ask God to strengthen and encourage all who work as chaplains in hospitals, with the armed forces, police, and many other places.

Sunday 28th

Jesus walking on the water, Jesus Saviour in the storm, when the waters of the deep are broken up, when the landmarks are washed away or drowned, come to us across the water. A New Zealand Prayer Book

Monday 29th

Pray for Christians who are members of sports clubs, that they will be able to witness to other team members about their faith.

Tuesday 30th

Pray for our Archbishops. Justin and Stephen, and especially our Bishops Paul and Andy, as they lead the Church in the difficult decisions they will be facing in this coming year.

Wednesday 31st

Pray for Christian MP's and others who God has commissioned to champion a specific cause. Ask God to help them to defend people who cannot speak up for themselves, and to challenge unrighteous beliefs and attitudes.

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For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, do not fear; I will help you. Isaiah 41:13

Monday 1st New Year's Day

Merciful Father, as this new year begins may our eyes be fixed on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. May our souls be refreshed by the living water of Your Spirit and our paths illumined by your word. Please forgive our sins and lead us in your righteousness to love and bless this needy world.

Tuesday 2nd

Through the work of the Christian organisations working in the Middle East, we pray that those suffering in the continuing war will know that God is still with them.

Wednesday 3rd

As winter takes hold, pray for the work of all the organisations providing food, warmth and shelter for those reduced to living on the streets.

Thursday 4th

Pray for the work of Christians Against Poverty and other groups that help people who are struggling with debt, especially after Christmas spending.

Friday 5th Persecuted but not forgotten

Columbia #22 on the Open Doors World Watch List

Columbia is mostly Christian but many believers face persecution from criminal gangs and indigenous communities.

Saturday 6th Men's Breakfast

Ask God to be with Ben Brough, who will be talking about his work with Al and with everyone present this morning that fruitful friendships will be formed and strengthened.

Sunday 7th

Trust the past to God's mercy, the present to God's love and the future to God's providence. Augustine

Monday 8th

Pray for the leaders and members of Home Groups meeting this week that the groups will be sources of support for individuals and growth in faith and understanding for all who attend.

Tuesday 9th

As a new Toddlers term begins, pray for everyone who will attend the meeting this morning, and for leaders and helpers.

Wednesday 10th

Pray for people who have recently received a diagnosis of a serious or lifethreatening illness, that they will receive help and support from relatives and friends and know the presence of God.

Thursday 11th

At the beginning of a new school term, ask God to protect students and staff from missing school because of the infections that are around at this time of year.

Friday 12th Persecuted but not forgotten Colombia

Pray for God's strength and power for pastors who are facing harassment by armed groups that see the Church as a threat, especially when gang members become Christians or Churches oppose their criminal activities.

Saturday 13th

Pray for everyone who will be involved in leading, preaching or leading the worship at tomorrow's service.

Sunday 14th

For all the possibilities ahead in this new year, make us thankful, O Lord. Give us wisdom, courage and discernment in the face of so much chaos, despair and fear. Help us to see how, in our circumstances, we can contribute towards peace, faith and love; and give us the will to translate our desires into actions.

Monday 15th

Pray for adults and children caught up in unsafe domestic disputes and abuse. Ask God to be with police, social workers and others who provide protection and support. Pray that wise, caring and workable solutions will be found amid brokenness and pain.

Tuesday 16th

Ask God to bring an end to the tragic bloodshed, destruction and enmity in so many parts of the world.

Wednesday 17th

Pray for the members of PCC as they meet tonight. Ask God to be present, giving wisdom and insight in all their discussions.

Thursday 18th Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

We have been invited to live the divine call to love God and our neighbour as ourselves. As we renew our commitment to this call, may this love strengthen our unity as Christians.

Friday 19th Persecuted but not forgotten: Colombia

Pray for Open Doors partners as they strengthen the persecuted church in Colombia through Bible distribution, training, trauma care, community development projects, education, and safe houses for children.

Saturday 20th

Remember the leaders of our Sunday morning children's groups. Pray that the groups will grow, and that the children will enjoy the time and learn more about Jesus.

Sunday 21st

O Lord, as the years change, may we find rest in your eternal changelessness. Help us to meet this new year bravely in the faith that, while life changes all around us, you are always the same, guiding us with your wisdom and protecting us with your love. William Temple

Monday 22nd

Pray for Trinity School and the Brownies group, meeting in church today.

Tuesday 23rd

Pray for the young people who will attend Youth Café this evening. Ask God to be with the leaders, and that there will be good conversations.

Wednesday 24th

Ask God to continue to bless the work of T and M, our CMS Mission partners in Southern Spain.