

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

December 2025

This is the confidence we have in approaching God:
that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.
1 John 5:14 NIVUK

Monday 1st

Pray for Sarah Mullaly as she prepares to take up the demanding role of Archbishop of Canterbury.

Tuesday 2nd

Church members from the churches of Southwell will meet tonight to discuss setting up a new Youth Group under the Churches Together initiative. Ask God to direct and bless their plans.

Wednesday 3rd

Pray for the children who will receive the toys we brought to church last Sunday.

Thursday 4th

Pray for Jon and Ella and everyone who will be involved in our special Christmas services as they plan and prepare.

Friday 5th Persecuted but not forgotten: Nigeria #7th on the Open Doors Watch list.

More Christians are killed for their faith in Nigeria than anywhere else in the world. Pray for Christians whose loved ones have been killed or abducted.

Saturday 6th

Ask God to be present with the Holy Spirit to bring comfort to all those who come to our **Service of Light** tomorrow.

Sunday 7th

Lord, show us where there is loneliness, that we may take friendship. Show us where individuals are not seen as persons, that we may acknowledge their identity. Show us where there is alienation, that we may take reconciliation.

Monday 8th

Pray for police officers serving in London and the other major cities including Nottingham. Pray that they will have success in reducing crime and protecting vulnerable people.

Tuesday 9th

Pray for the leaders of Youth Café and everyone attending that they will be open to hearing God's voice in what they see and hear.

Wednesday 10th

Pray for everyone who will be present at Connections this morning, especially those who are caring for a spouse who has a disability. Thank God for their love and dedication.

Thursday 11th

Ask God to bless the activities planned by Churches Together will make a real impact in our town this Christmas.

Friday 12th Persecuted but not forgotten: Nigeria

The biggest threat to Nigerian Christians is from Islamic militants who seek to destroy Christianity and Christians in the region. Ask God to soften the hearts of those intent on murder and destruction.

Saturday 13th

Pray for wisdom and determination for those in church leadership to ensure that children and adults can feel and be safe in Christian communities. Pray for Ann Clark, our safeguarding officer.

Sunday 14th

O God, we thank you for the message of peace that Christmas brings to our distracted world. Give peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts as we remember the birth of the Prince of peace, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday 15th

Continue to pray for the fragile **Gaza** ceasefire. Pray for the churches in Israel and Gaza to be strengthened and for Christians to be able to offer reassurance and support for many confused and fearful citizens.

Tuesday 16th

At the end of another session of Trinity Toddlers, pray that families will plan to attend one of our Christmas activities.

Wednesday 17th Uganda

Pray for people in Sebei, Kapchorwa, where mudslides due to heavy rain have blocked roads, destroyed farms and crops, and caused at least 18 deaths. Pray for comfort, protection, and recovery for all those affected.

Thursday 18th CMS

Pray for the senior leadership team and the board of Trustees as they seek to lead the organization and staff in line with God's will.

Friday 19th Persecuted but not forgotten: Nigeria

Pray that God would work in the hearts of Nigerian leaders to protect Christian citizens and communities.

Saturday 20th

Pray that over the Christmas season many people will attend church events and services, where they will hear the message of hope that Jesus was born to bring peace on earth as our Redeemer, and that they will respond by giving their lives to God.

Sunday 21st Carol Service

God of all hope and joy, open our hearts in welcome, that your Son Jesus Christ at his coming may find in us a dwelling prepared for himself.

Monday 22nd

As school holidays begin, pray for young people who are carrying a burden of mental illness, stress or anxiety. May they find help and support.

Tuesday 23rd

Slavery still exists all over the world. Pray for people and organizations seeking to bring freedom to those trapped in slavery or bonded labour. Pray that the Modern Slavery Act will be made more effective.

Wednesday 24th

Pray that many people will attend our Christmas Eve services:

Scratch Nativity at 4.00pm and **Midnight in Bethlehem** 9.30 – 10.30pm. Pray that they will hear and respond to the message of peace that they will hear.

Thursday 25th Christmas Day

Lord Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth; accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you our Saviour and Eternal God.

Friday 26th Persecuted but not forgotten: Nigeria

Pray for the millions of Christians and others who have been displaced by violence.

Saturday 27th

Thank God for the amazing progress that has been made providing better accommodation and facilities for pupils and staff at Keframa High School

Sunday 28th

O Lord, as the years change may we find rest in your eternal changelessness. Help us 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 (1881-1944)

Monday 29th

We are in awe of God's amazing creation: the seas, the earth and all that inhabit them. We are sorry that humans have failed in so many ways to be wise and faithful stewards. Pray that we might work to restore nature where we can, and live responsibly in this world.

Tuesday 30th

Pray for the National Health Service as it faces increased pressure during the winter season. Ask God to give strength and kindness to doctors, nurses and other staff at this busy time.

Wednesday 31st

*I said to the man who stood at the gate of year: 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.'
And he replied: 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way.'*

Minnie Louise Haskins

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*Each week we pray for persecuted Christians based on information from Open Doors. For more information visit www.opendoors.uk.org