

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH PRAYER DIARY

May 2024

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.
Hebrews 11:1 NIVUK

Wednesday 1st Annual Meeting

Pray for our Annual General Meeting this evening, that God will guide and lead us in the election of Church Wardens and PCC members.

Thursday 2nd Local Elections

Pray that the people elected today to serve on our local authorities will be men and women who have the wellbeing of everyone they represent at heart.

Friday 3rd Persecuted but not forgotten Mauritania # 23rd on the Open Doors World Watch List

There are believed to be around 11,000 Christians in Mauritania, making them a tiny minority in the country, where most of its five million people are Muslim. Converting away from Islam is punishable by death. This has not happened in recent years, but the threat remains. Pray that the government of Mauritania would be open to religious freedom.

Saturday 4th Men's Breakfast

Ask God to be with the speaker, Steve Jenkins, and with everyone present this morning, that fruitful friendships will be formed and strengthened.

Sunday 5th

Pray for members of the PCC as they meet after church this morning for the Section 11 meeting, which will move forward the process of seeking a new vicar for Holy Trinity.

Monday 6th

We cry out to God for the people of Gaza, particularly for the children. We pray for an unequivocal ceasefire and the resumption of adequate aid and food deliveries.

Tuesday 7th

Pray for our Bishops, Paul and Andy, and for the process of introducing the new Diocesan Plan.

Wednesday 8th

Pray for young people taking GCSE and A level exams this month that they will prepare well and do their best in the exam room.

Thursday 9th Ascension Day

Praise God that Jesus went to the cross to save us from our sins, rose victoriously from the grave and ascended in glory and triumph to sit at the Father's right hand as our glorious King.

Friday 10th Persecuted but not forgotten: Mauritania

Converts from Islam face extreme pressure for bringing shame on their families. Pray that the families of new believers would have open hearts and minds.

Saturday 11th

Lord, bless our farmers and all who work on the land; strengthen them when they are discouraged and help us all to work together as good stewards of this earth, its crops and its creatures.

Sunday 12th Mission Sunday Lira Projects

Pray for rapid progress in the construction of a girls' dormitory at Keframa School.

Monday 13th

Pray for the aid organizations working to relieve the desperate famine affecting millions of refugees in Sudan. Pray that supplies of food will get through and be distributed.

Tuesday 14th

Pray for the young people who will come to church for Youth Café tonight, that God will use what they hear and who they meet to bring them into his kingdom.

Wednesday 15th

Pray for new members of PCC who will attend the PCC meeting this evening. Ask God to give wisdom in discussions and decisions.

Thursday 16th

Pray for the people of Taiwan as they continue to deal with the aftermath of the recent earthquake. Praise God that CMS mission partner Catherine Lee is safe, and pray for her as she continues in ministry with the Diocese of Taiwan.

Friday 17th Persecuted but not forgotten: Mauritania

It is extremely risky for Christians to meet together. Pray for Open Doors partners and other Christians working to support secret believers who have lost everything for Jesus.

Saturday 18th

Pray for the people who will be leading or preaching at tomorrow's Café Church and Kids and families services

Sunday 19th Pentecost

Spirit of truth whom the world can never grasp, touch our hearts with the shock of your coming; fill us with desire for your disturbing peace; and fire us with longing to speak your uncontainable word.

Monday 20th

Pray for the leaders and members of Home Groups. Pray that the groups will be places of friendship, support and learning.

Tuesday 21st

Pray for the parents, carers and children who will attend Trinity Toddlers this morning, that they will find welcome and friendship.

Wednesday 22nd

Pray for the team organizing Connections this morning, and that everyone who attends will receive a welcome that will lead them to turn to God and become a member of his family.

Thursday 23rd

Pray for the Music Group as they prepare to lead worship. Ask God to use them to bring us into God's presence this Sunday.

Friday 24th Persecuted but not forgotten: Mauritania

Ask God to surround all believers with his love, and to give each one a glimpse into the deep and precious work he is doing in and through them.

Saturday 25th

Thank God for the people who are helping to lead services and preach during the interregnum.

Sunday 26th Trinity Sunday

O God our mystery, you bring us to life, call us to freedom and move between us with love. May we so participate in the dance of your Trinity that our lives may resonate with you.

Monday 27th

Pray the staff of our local schools will have a refreshing and renewing break this half term.

Tuesday 28th

Pray for the work of the Bible Society as they help children to come to know the Bible better by providing resources for schools.

Wednesday 29th

As we look ahead to a General Election, we pray that God will inspire politicians with imagination and sound strategies to reform and reinvigorate the NHS, education, national security, support for the vulnerable and proper provision for the poor.

Thursday 30th

Pray for the East Jerusalem YMCA, as it provides mental health first aid in emergency situations and longer-term group counselling for traumatised children who have been caught up in the conflict.

Friday 31st Persecuted but not forgotten: Mauritania

Pray for those experiencing severe pressure, asking God to empower them to persevere in their faith and witness. Pray for fresh opportunities for believers to gather and even tell others about their faith.

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