# **Cycle of Prayer** 01 - 30 April 2024





01 April 2024 Odd Rode Please pray for our... Clergy: The Revd Philip Atkinson Pray for the unity of the three churches, that they continue to work together. Also pray for a clear vision for the future of the parish as they move through the coming years. Anglican Communion: Damaturu, The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

02 April 2024 **Sandbach** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Bee Boyde **Lay Workers:** Mrs Joan Plowman For the community as we seek to discern God's mission and purpose us as we form a strategy for the future. **Anglican Communion:** Dar-es-Salaam, The Anglican Church of Tanzania

03 April 2024 Sandbach Heath with Hassall Green Please pray for our... Lay Workers: Mr Alan Warburton Anglican Communion: Davao, The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

04 April 2024 **Smallwood** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Steph Morris, The Revd Anne-Marie Naylor Prayers for our ministry with school and our agricultural community. **Anglican Communion:** Saint Davids, The Church in Wales

05 April 2024 **Swettenham** Please pray for our... **Lay Workers:** Mr Howard Lawton **Anglican Communion:** Delaware, The Episcopal Church

06 April 2024 **Siddington with Capesthorne** Please pray for our... **Lay Workers:** Mr Howard Lawton, Mr Douglas Wisener **Anglican Communion:** Delhi, The Church of North India (United)

#### 07 April 2024 To all Nations 'This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead in the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.' Luke 24: 46 – 48

It is perhaps easy to overlook the pace of the events at Easter. These words at the end of Luke's gospel come at the end of the first resurrection day. And in both their timing and their content they tie together the life of Jesus and the mission of the church. The risen Christ tells his disciples that proclamation is part of God's plan, foretold in the scriptures, as surely and the death and resurrection of the Messiah. The Church of Christ is not merely a bystander, but it bears witness, it sees and speaks. It does this in actions, through its holy character and its works of generosity, but also through its words, offering to people everywhere the hope of forgiveness, reconciliation and life.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. **Book of Common Prayer** 

Please pray for our... **Anglican Communion:** The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

08 April 2024 Marton Please pray for our... Lay Workers: Mr Howard Lawton, Mr Douglas Wisener Anglican Communion: Derby, The Church of England

09 April 2024 Aldford Please pray for our... Clergy: The Revd Julian Beauchamp, The Revd Karl Jones Lay Workers: Mrs Kath Wentel Please thank God for the families who now attend, and pray that they would in turn invite their friends and neighbours. Please thank God for new younger PCC members. Anglican Communion: Derry and Raphoe, The Church of Ireland

10 April 2024 **Bickerton** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Dr Arnott Please join us in praying for our PCC and for all those who serve in the church. Also, for those who may feel called to serve, that they may discern and respond to that calling. **Anglican Communion:** Dhaka, The Church of Bangladesh

#### 11 April 2024 **Bickley** Please pray for our... **Anglican Communion:** San Diego, The Episcopal Church

12 April 2024

Bruera Please pray for our... Clergy: The Revd Julian Beauchamp, The Revd Karl Jones Lay Workers: Mrs Kath Wentel Please thank God for the few faithful church members we have and for those who continue to serve joyfully and faithfully. Please pray for discussions about a change of service time. Anglican Communion: Divine Hope, Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

13 April 2024

#### **Bunbury**

Please pray for our... Clergy: The Revd Tim Hayward, The Revd Claire Wilson Lay Workers: Mrs Kathy Collinge, Mr Peter Collinge, Mr Tom Crotty, Mrs Pat Edgley, Mrs Amber Middlemiss, Mrs Joy Parker, Mr Nicholas Sanders Anglican Communion: Dogura, The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea

#### 14 April 2024

# Partners in World Mission

I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Ephesians 3: 17b-19

Today we pray for our partners in world mission. The Apostle Paul writes that it is with all God's people that we will be able to understand the greatness of the love of Christ, to know that love ourselves and to be filled with it. Pray today for the mission agencies with whom you or your parish have links, perhaps it is Christian Aid, USPG or Tear Fund, perhaps one or both of our link dioceses. (We will be praying for them over the next couple of days.) Pray that our mission might be mutual and that we may learn from each other, so that our understanding of God's love might be greater.

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Collect for the third Sunday of Easter.** 

Please pray for our... **Anglican Communion:** The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia 15 April 2024 Burwardsley Please pray for our... Clergy: The Revd Canon Lameck Mutete Anglican Communion: Doko, The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

16 April 2024
Coddington
Please pray for our...
Lay Workers: Mr Raymond Moulton
Please pray for the parish in this period of interregnum. Please pray that we know what we need to do and that this might involve pastoral reorganisation. Pray for the Churchwardens and PCC's who are making the decisions. We also pray for the church th

Anglican Communion: Dominican Republic, The Episcopal Church

17 April 2024

Farndon
Please pray for our...
Lay Workers: Mr Raymond Moulton
Please pray for the parish in its interregnum and pray that we know what we need to do.
Please also pray for the PCC and churchwardens who are making the decisions. We also pray for the church and that it looks at changing the pattern of worship.
Anglican Communion: Dornakal, The Church of South India (United)

18 April 2024 Handley Please pray for our... Clergy: The Revd Canon Lameck Mutete Anglican Communion: Down and Dromore, The Church of Ireland

19 April 2024 **Hargrave** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Laura Rhodes **Anglican Communion:** Dublin and Glendalough, The Church of Ireland

20 April 2024 **Malpas and Threapwood** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Dr Janine Arnott Please join us in praying for our mission and outreach, especially our work with children and young families. **Anglican Communion:** Duk, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

21 April 2024

# Diocesan link with Aru and Boga Dioceses, DRC

- Pray for wisdom, stamina and safety in travel for Archbishop Ande
- Pray for a wide-ranging and transformational impact of a new Anglican initiative for peace and reconciliation in Ituri and North Kivu.
- Pray that government and UN troops will be effective in keeping the peace in Boga Diocese, which faces a vicious rebel militia. Pray also for those bereaved and displaced.
- Thank God for the University and Nursing School in Aru, which both have increased rolls.

Please pray that graduates will use their skills to improve the lot of the people they serve.

- Thank God for 1200 candidates confirmed this year in Aru and pray that those confirmed may be true disciples of Jesus.
- Praise God for the Christian discipleship course Rooted in Jesus introduced by Revd Peter Wyard and now followed up by Revd Emmanuel Etsegeri. Peter is now back in Aru running 4 more courses, including a junior one. Pray for them.
- Revd Boseki Balikenga encourages young people's discipleship as Provincial Youth Leader. Pray for safety in his travels.

Thank you, Lord for the commitment of all those who put the gospel of Jesus into practice in Aru and Boga. We pray that you will protect them in difficult circumstances, give them wisdom in all their dealings, and help them as they strive to bring in your kingdom in DR Congo.

Please pray for our... Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Australia

22 April 2024 **Marbury** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Veronica Green **Lay Workers:** Mrs Alison Hunter-Johnston, Mrs Jane Lunt Please pray for the continuing work in our benefice as we cherish God's promise of being Better Together. **Anglican Communion:** Dunedin. The Anglican Church in Aotearoa. New Zealand and

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23 April 2024 Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Dr Tim Robinson, The Revd Norma Robinson **Lay Workers:** Mr Chris Gilbert Please pray for our Outreach work with messy church and café church. **Anglican Communion:** Dunkwa-on-Offin, The Church of the Province of West Africa

24 April 2024

# Tarporley

Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Jim Bridgman Pray for the appeal to renovate the church hall (the Done Room), our outreach as three churches to the communities of Tarporley, Eaton, Cotebrook, Rushton and Utkinton, and the two church schools (Tarporley CE Primary and St Paul's Utkinton)) **Anglican Communion:** Durgapur, The Church of North India (United)

# 25 April 2024

# Tattenhall

Please pray for our...

Clergy: The Revd Canon Lameck Mutete

Please pray for our new 'Warm Space' for the community and Loss Cafe. The Lord has enables us to start a warm space for members of the community by providing refreshments every Wednesday.

Anglican Communion: Durham, The Church of England

26 April 2024 **Tilstone Fearnall** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Tim Hayward, The Revd Claire Wilson **Anglican Communion:** Dutse, The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

27 April 2024 Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Dr Tim Robinson, The Revd Norma Robinson **Lay Workers:** Mr Chris Gilbert, Mrs Trisha Swift Please pray for our work with café church and messy church. **Anglican Communion:** East Kerala, The Church of South India (United)

# 28 April 2024

# Diocesan Link with the Anglican Church of Melanesia

Those who have visited our link Diocese with ACoM have found it to be a life changing experience. Living on a Pacific Island, life is very fragile! Living alongside cyclones, earthquakes, tsunamis and crop failure, and sometimes being far from medical help, causes many of the inhabitants to turn to prayer and the churches are well attended. Prayer is a very important part of life in our Link Diocese.

We pray for former Brother Archbishop Leonard Dawea, a graduate of the University of Chester, and for former Brother Jonathan, who graduated with AB Leonard and was recently appointed Chaplain of the Melanesian Brotherhood. We pray for former Head Brother Nelson, also a graduate of Chester, who has recently been appointed to be Mission Secretary of ACoM.

We pray for the Four Anglican Communities who work close to ACOM. The Melanesian Brotherhood's newly appointed leader, Brother Ini Junior, Head Sister Annie of the Community of the Sisters of Melanesia, Head Sister Veronica of the Community of the Sisters of the Church. We also pray for the Franciscan Community in the Solomon Islands.

# On 24th April the Church of England remembers the Seven Martyrs of the Melanesian Brotherhood: their Chester Companions will also remember them.

O Jesus,

Be the canoe that holds me up in the sea of life; Be the rudder that keeps me on the straight road; Be the outrigger that supports me in times of temptation; Let your Spirit be my sail that carries me through each day; Keep my body strong so I can paddle steadfastly on in the voyage of life. **Amen** 

Please pray for our... Anglican Communion: The Church of Bangladesh

29 April 2024 **Tushingham** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Veronica Green **Lay Workers:** Mrs Alison Hunter-Johnston, Mrs Carolyn Wort Please pray as we work as a benefice to seek God's promise of being Better Together. **Anglican Communion:** Easton, The Episcopal Church 30 April 2024 **Waverton** Please pray for our... **Clergy:** The Revd Julian Beauchamp **Lay Workers:** Miss June Hargreaves, Mrs Kath Wentel Give thanks for a committed church family and for many willing volunteers. Please pray that we would be unafraid to share the gospel and be salt and light to those in the wider parish and be salt and light.

Anglican Communion: Eau Claire, The Episcopal Church

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