



Diocese of Canterbury
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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

'Praying for each other; praying with each other'



June 2026

1 Mon Margate: St Paul (Cliftonville)

Clergy: Mark Nelson, Gavin Cutler, Vicky Coneys

Assistant Curate: Dave Mulcock

Reader Kim Palmer

We are trusting God with thankfulness as our church building undergoes a major restoration project.

We are praying for the Spirit's guidance as we look for new ways to serve our local community.

We long that we, together with the wider church in Margate, may make Jesus known as the way the truth and the life.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Aba – The Church of Nigeria

2 Tue St Peter-in-Thamet

Clergy: Matt Hodder, Alice Bates

Reader-in-Training: Chris Knight

Schools: St Georges CE Foundation School and St Peter in Thanet CE Junior School

Please pray for us as we continue to offer new opportunities for prayer and meeting together at St Peter's: for our bereavement support group, our new youth group, Bible study group, and the prayer course which begins later in May. We thank God that our Sunday morning congregation continues to grow, especially the numbers of children, and we rejoice that people come in all the time as our church is open every day. Most of all we thank God for one another. We know these are all God's gifts and offer them back to him, with gratitude and joy.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Aba Ngwa North – The Church of Nigeria

3 Wed Margate: St Philip (Northdown Park)

Clergy: Stuart Gay

Reader: Helen Rogers

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Abakaliki – The Church of Nigeria

4 Thurs Praying Together: may we be messengers of the Good News

Holy Spirit, breath of God -
Fill the hearts of all who are taking new steps in their vocation this summer.

Breathe life over the summer outreach events happening across our diocese.

Enfold all who feel anxious about changes to benefits and social care.

Renew your Church, and teach us to pray.

Jesus Christ, Saviour and Teacher,
By your Spirit you empower us to live your risen life; Breathe on us, that we might
come alive in you, and be to the world a living temple of your holy presence. Amen.

Prayer written by Lyndall Bywater - Diocesan Changing Lives Prayer Network Co-ordinator

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney – The Scottish Episcopal Church

5 Fri Ramsgate: Christ Church

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwarden: Peter Dewhurst

School: Christ Church CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Abuja – The Church of Nigeria

6 Sat Ramsgate: Holy Trinity

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwardens: Mary Somers-James, Kay Sinden

School: Holy Trinity CE Primary School

Heavenly Father, you have drawn us all into this church and community, and filled us with your love. In our time remaining without a Priest, help us all to share the responsibility of continuing to offer your welcome and love to all, so that we will care for all those in need.

Lord Jesus, help us to love one another and to grow in faith as we serve you together. Thank you for our hard working Churchwardens and for the ministry for our PTO clergy, Father Michael Morris and Father Fred Arvidsson, may they help us follow your way for the future, and grow your Kingdom here in Ramsgate. We ask this for your love's sake. Amen.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Abyei – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

7 Sun Praying Together: for Healing and Wholeness

Loving Father, we come seeking Your divine healing and perfect wholeness. Touch weary bodies, minds and spirits with Your restoring grace.

Where there is pain, bring Your gentle comfort. Where there is brokenness, mend us with Your unending love. Grant Your people the strength to face each day and the peace to rest in Your care. Wash away anxieties, renew shared vitality, and guide our steps toward health. We pray in the name that is above every name, Jesus our Saviour and Healer. Amen.

Prayer written by Barbara Campbell - parishioner from Cranbrook: St Dunstan

*Anglican Communion:
1st Sunday after Trinity
The Scottish Episcopal Church*

8 Mon Ramsgate: St George

Clergy: Paul Worledge
Assistant Curate: Bethany Keenan

Give thanks for the growth in Life Groups, our small groups, for praying for one another, caring for one another and sharing God's word with each other. Give thanks also, for the big community events we have had at St. George's recently and especially the St. George's day parade. Please also pray for our curate, Beth, as she transitions back from Maternity Leave into full time ministry.

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Accra – The Church of the Province of West Africa*

9 Tue Ramsgate: St Luke

Clergy: Paul Worledge
Assistant Curate: Bethany Keenan
Reader: Colin Gale

Pray today for good health amongst key members of the congregation, as there has been a lot of serious illness in recent months. We are hoping that the PCC of St Luke's will be merged with St George's before the end of the year. Please pray that this transition goes smoothly and that the newly combined PCC can work well together, as we seek to move forward with our plans to develop St. George's, create new worshipping communities and grow our youth work.

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Adelaide –
The Anglican Church of Australia*

10 Wed St Andrew, Reading Street

Clergy: Philip Musindi

Reader: Michael Hawthorne

Please pray for our recently appointed Youth and Children's Minister at St Andrew's Church Reading Street. We thank God for bringing her to our church family and pray for His blessing, wisdom, and encouragement as she begins this new role.

May her ministry among our children and young people flourish, and may God use her gifts and skills to help many grow in faith and experience His love. Amen.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Afikpo – The Church of Nigeria

11 Thurs Praying Together: for a renewal of Discipleship

Lord Jesus,

We long to follow you and we know that we are always surrounded by your love. Sometimes, through our imperfect nature, this love may seem distant, and we struggle to live in your light.

At these times, Lord, we ask you to fill us with your strength and grace, that we may be lifted back on to the path of discipleship, to continue our journey in your service, filled with hope and the power of the Holy Spirit.

We ask this in your name.

Amen.

Prayer written by Revd Lynn Overington - formerly Assistant Curate at Parish of Upper Deal & Great Mongeham

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of North Africa – The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

12 Fri St Laurence-in-Thamet Benefice

Clergy: Catherine Tucker

Readers: Judith Andrews, Frances Barnes, Amanda Madgwick

Anna Chaplain: Judith Andrews

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Agra – The Church of North India (United)

13 Sat Wantsum Group

Clergy: Jef Foulger

Assistant Curate: Sally Willins

Reader: Julia Cernoch

Schools: Chislet CE Primary School, Minster CE Primary School, Monkton CE Primary School, St Nicholas at Wade CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Aguata – The Church of Nigeria

14 Sun Praying Together: Healed and Made Whole in Christ

Lord Jesus,
as the paralysed man was brought before you,
you saw deeper than his weakness
and spoke life into his whole being.
We bring to you our broken places:
body and mind, memory and hope.
Heal us not only of what hurts,
but of what binds us with fear, shame, or sin.
Speak your forgiving word,
lift us to our feet,
and restore our dignity and purpose.
Make us whole in you,
so that healed lives may rise,
walk in freedom,
and glorify God.
Meeting us where we are, you gather every fragment into your saving love.
Amen.

Prayer written by Judith Andrews - Reader at St Laurence-in-Thamet Benefice &
Anna Chaplain
(Prayer based on Mark 2:1–12)

*Anglican Communion:
2nd Sunday after Trinity
Church of the Province of South East Asia*

15 Mon Westgate-on-Sea: St James

Clergy: Anand Sodadasi

Pray with us today, as we begin the search for a Youth Worker for a 16-hour position.
We ask for prayers for this endeavour, as well as for the church's growth and for our
ability to effectively share our faith. Additionally, we are looking for new leaders
within the congregation to take on responsibilities and serve the Lord.

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Ahoada – The Church of Nigeria*

16 Tue Westgate-on-Sea: St Saviour

Clergy: Jef Foulger

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Aipo Rongo – The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea*

17 Wed Praying together with the Stour Valley Deanery

Area Dean: Ravi Holy

Lay Chair: Caroline Knight

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Nigel Poole

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Ajayi Crowther – The Church of Nigeria

18 Thurs Praying Together: for health and harmony

Heavenly Father, thank you for the privilege to come into Your presence and make our requests and petitions known. We pray for healing from physical illness, mental anguish, depression, or anxiety. Father, bring your healing touch to our bodies, hearts and minds. Replace turmoil with peace and weakness with strength. Fill us with hope, courage and renewed spirits. Guide us toward health and harmony. May Your grace surround us always, lifting us into fullness of life. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Prayer written by Barbara Campbell - parishioner from Cranbrook: St Dunstan

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Akobo – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

19 Fri Praying together with the Stour Valley Deanery for: Clergy with Permission to Officiate

Please pray with us for those with Permission to Officiate within our Deanery. We thank God for their willingness to continue serving the Church with generosity and joy. May they be upheld and strengthened in their ministry. Please pray for:

Brian Chalmers, Dylan Turner

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Akoko – The Church of Nigeria

20 Sat Praying together with the Stour Valley Deanery for: Chaplains

Pray for all those exercising chaplaincy ministry - formally and informally - within Schools, uniformed organisations, residential care communities, community clubs, businesses, health care groups, prisons, police, armed services and in sport. May God give them wisdom to respond to the opportunities given, to be assured of their calling to be witnesses to Christ. May they know the support of local churches and see God at work wherever they go.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Akoko Edo – The Church of Nigeria

21 Sun Praying Together: Healing Through Community and Connection

God of compassion,
you welcomed a man carried by faithful friends,
lowered through a broken roof
by love that would not give up.
We thank you for communities
that carry one another in weakness,
risk inconvenience, cost, and mess,
and refuse to leave anyone behind.
Heal us through connection:
through listening hearts,
shared burdens,
and courage to make space for grace.
Shape your Church to be such a place,
where many are held, restored, and renewed,
and together we rise to new life.
Bind us together in hope, until our neighbourhoods glimpse your healing among us.
Amen.

Prayer written by Judith Andrews - Reader at St Laurence-in-Thamet Benefice &
Anna Chaplain
(Prayer based on Mark 2:1–12)

*Anglican Communion:
3rd Sunday after Trinity
The Church of South India (United)*

22 Mon The Benefice of Chartham

Clergy: Andrew Edwards
Reader: Gerry Willis
Reader-in-Training: David Arnott
Pastoral Assistant: Angela Hirst

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Akot – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan*

23 Tue King's Wood Benefice

Clergy: Sue Martin
School: St Mary's Church of England Primary School

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Akure – The Church of Nigeria*

24 Wed The United Wye Benefice

Clergy: Ravi Holy, Linda Cross, Dawn Stamper

Assistant Curate: Dan Ralph

Readers: Lucy Carvill, Clare Masters, Kevin Rall, Nigel Poole

Reader-in-Training: Kate Brazier

School: Bodsham Church of England Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Alabama – The Episcopal Church

25 Thurs Praying Together: for new Disciples

Loving God we give thanks for all who are seeking to follow Jesus in this Diocese. Praying particularly for those who are new to faith and keen to learn more about God's word, and what the life of a disciple entails. We pray for their journey of discernment, and that the Holy Spirit will work with all those in our church families to encourage, help and guide them. Amen.

Prayer written by Revd Sharon Paine - Assistant Curate at The Elham Valley Group

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Alaska – The Episcopal Church

26 Fri Praying together with the Maidstone Deanery

Area Dean: Vacant

Lay Chair: Fiona Higgs

Secretary: Wendy Suffield

Treasurer: Susan Ghinn

School: St Augustine Academy

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Saint Albans – The Church of England

27 Sat Praying together with the Maidstone Deanery for: Clergy with Permission to Officiate

Please pray with us for those with Permission to Officiate within our Deanery. We thank God for their willingness to continue serving the Church with generosity and joy. May they be upheld and strengthened in their ministry. Please pray for:

Alisoun Francis, David Grimwood, Paul Kish, Alan Le Grys, Richard Love, Peter Maurice, Brian Stevenson, Julian Waite, Liz Walker, Robin Williamson

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Albany – The Episcopal Church

28 Sun Praying Together: for Faith, Hope and Love

Lord, help us to aim high as we seek to renew the discipline of our discipleship. Give us the courage to turn from self-seeking, selfishness and all self centred desires. Be with us as we seek afresh to live lives worthy of being your disciples in today's world. Renew in us the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, enlarge our love for one another and the people we meet day by day, that we may be more ready to serve you and use the gifts you give us

Prayer written by Revd Hilary Baldwin - Assistant Curate at Eastry and Woodnesborough Benefice

*Anglican Communion:
4th Sunday after Trinity
The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*

29 Mon Praying together with the Maidstone Deanery for: Chaplains

Pray for all those exercising chaplaincy ministry - formally and informally - within Schools, uniformed organisations, residential care communities, community clubs, businesses, health care groups, prisons, police, armed services and in sport. May God give them wisdom to respond to the opportunities given, to be assured of their calling to be witnesses to Christ. May they know the support of local churches and see God at work wherever they go.

Clifford Goble, Nicola Mitra, Sue Yeo, Susie-Alexandra Simpson, Geoffrey Burn, Erika Catchpole, Katja Svarts, Sue Fauchon-Jones

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Algoma –
The Anglican Church of Canada*

30 Tue Praying together with the Maidstone for: IGNITE Hub

Please pray for the Ignite communities in the Maidstone Deanery. We pray for all those who are involved, in whatever way. Please pray that each person will know that they are loved and valued, and may they find faith in the risen Lord, as friendships are shared, generosity offered and the joy of community experienced. Pray that the outreach of God's people will continually remind us of God's love for all.

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of All Saints – The Anglican Church of Kenya*

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