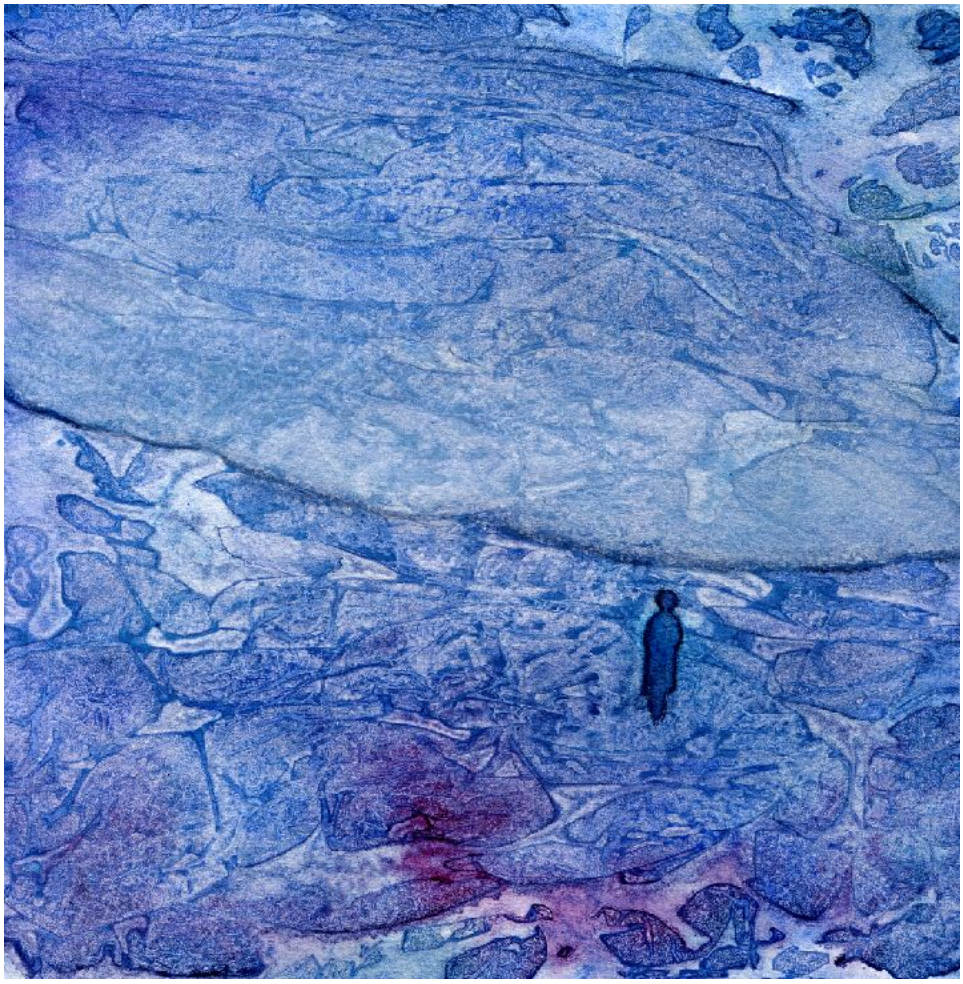
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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

'Praying for each other; praying with each other'



November 2026

1 Sun Praying Together with the Romney 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.

Pray in particular today for:

Helen Sanderson, Gaynor Cobb

Anglican Communion:
All Saints' Day
4th Sunday before Advent
Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

2 Mon The Benefice of Romney Marsh

Clergy: Chris Hodgkins, Jack Greenhalf, Shuna Body
Assistant Curates: Penny Lowe, Sandra Ellis
Readers: Les Carter, June Noakes
Anna Chaplain: Helen Sanderson, Gaynor Cobb
Schools: Brenzett CE Primary School, Brookland CE Primary School, School: St Nicholas CE Primary Academy

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Carlisle – The Church of England

3 Tue The Saxon Shoreline

Clergy: Geoff Abasolo-Munnery
Assistant Curate: Anne Loat
Reader in Training: Christina Harry

Pray with us today.
For wisdom and discernment as we continue our Benefice Consultation process as to the future governance of the Benefice.

For Revd Anne Loat during her first year of curacy .

For Chrissy as she embarks on her discernment and formation as an LLM.

For a blessing on our parishes as they continue to engage in mission in our rural communities, especially those activities on their Mission Action Plans.

For our farming communities as they face challenges due to global-economic circumstances and the Climate Crisis.

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of East Carolina – The Episcopal Church

4 Wed Praying Together with the Sandwich Deanery

Area Dean: Sebastian Hamilton
Lay Chair: Ian Stephen
Secretary: Vanessa Nedderman
Treasurer: Trevor Longman

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of North Carolina – The Episcopal Church

5 Thurs Praying Together with the Sandwich 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:

Martin Clark, Martin Cleeve, Christopher Dent, Anthony Fletcher, David Flewker, Nigel Genders, Sharon Greenwood, Peter Hambrook, Dawn Jewson, Frank Kent, Jean Kerr, Paul Kerr, Jeanne Males, Roger Marsh, Michael Morris, Howard Pashley, Mark Roberts, Simon Roscoe, Rob Stevenson, John Winn, Stephen Young

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of South Carolina – The Episcopal Church

6 Fri Praying Together with the Sandwich 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.

Mary Donaldson, Jean Kerr, Paul Kerr, Liz Larner, Derek Kirkaldie, Sally Murray

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Upper South Carolina – The Episcopal Church

7 Sat Deal: St Andrew

Clergy: Vacant
Churchwardens: Lionel Ball, Sharon Ball
Reader-in-Training: Christopher Hobbs-East

Please pray for our dedicated Lay team, Paul, Chris, Kate, Paul and Ron, who have just restarted the Book of Common Prayer Evening prayer group, which will be held each weekday.
We continue to pray for God to send us a good shepherd to guide us in his word, and thank him for the ministry whilst in interregnum especially for Fr Stephen, Canon Mark, Fr Roger, Fr Anthony, Fr Richard, our ALM Kate and Readers in Training Chris and Paul. Also, we give thanks for our Churchwardens, Sharon and Lionel, who continue to lead our church and make sure we stay open and able to share in his word with all that enter his house.
We thank God for his gracious works within St Andrews Deal through our volunteers, as our congregation continues to grow and our fundraising ventures encourage more people into our church.

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Western North Carolina – The Episcopal Church

8 Sun Praying Together: Remembrance Sunday

Father of all, remember your holy promise,
and look with love on all your people, living and departed.
On this day we especially ask that you would hold forever
all who have suffered during war, those who returned scarred by warfare,
those who waited anxiously at home,
and those who returned wounded, and disillusioned;
those who mourned, and those communities that were diminished and suffered loss.
Remember too those who acted with kindly compassion,
those who bravely risked their own lives for their comrades,
and those who in the aftermath of war, worked tirelessly for a more peaceful world.
And as you remember them, remember us, O Lord;
grant us peace in our time and a longing for the day when people of every language,
race, and nation will be brought into the unity of Christ's kingdom.
This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer drawn from The Church of England resources for Remembrance

Anglican Communion:
3rd Sunday before Advent
Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

9 Mon Deal: St George the Martyr
Clergy: Sean Sheffield
Assistant Curate: James Archer
Anna Chaplains: Mary Donaldson, Jean Kerr, Paul Kerr, Liz Larner

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory – The Church of Ireland

10 Tue Parish of Upper Deal and Great Mongeham
Clergy: Monica Cameron
Assistant Curates: Nicholas Tomaszewski, John Wakeman, Steve Manion
Self-Supporting Minister: Patrick Kavanagh
Reader-in-Training: Wendy Manion
Schools: Sholden CE Primary School, Deal Parochial CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chandigarh –
The Church of North India (United)

11 Wed Eastry and Woodnesborough
Clergy: Andrew Brown
Assistant Curate: Hilary Baldwin
Reader: Susan Brearley
Schools: Eastry CE Primary School, Northbourne CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chelmsford – The Church of England

12 Thurs Sandwich and Worth
Clergy: Sebastian Hamilton
Reader and Anna Chaplain: Derek Kirkaldie

Pray today for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we live out 'The Warm Welcome Project', a five-year vision to safeguard our fabric, and grow our missional life within the community - in particular in these six areas: Children & Young People (For our growing engagement with schools, and for development of larger plans coming to a head this month), Teaching & Praying (especially for our new weekly Bible Study group), Eco Church, Pastoral Care (for our Anna Chaplains), Tourism & Visitors (for our new audio guide), and Little Gardens of Sandwich (thanksgiving for a successful second year in 2026, and for 2027 plans).

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chester – The Church of England

13 Fri Walmer and Cornilo

Clergy: Seth Cooper
Assistant Curates: Norman Gilliland, Paul Henderson, Malcolm Sawyer, Robert Sparkes
Schools: The Downs CEPS, Kingsdown & Ringwould CE Primary School

Please pray for Walmer and Cornilo as we renew our Mission Action Plan. We thank God for the progress from our current plan and seek God's inspiration for the future. We pray that God will bless our mission and ministry across multiple and diverse communities; with schools and young families; with the local residential care community; through evangelism and growth in spiritual disciplines. We especially give thanks for all those unsung heroes who minister and serve across our churches in whatever way.

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chhattisgarh –
The Church of North India (United)

14 Sat Praying Together with the Canterbury Deanery

Area Dean: Stephen Carter
Lay Chair: Roger Vickerman
Secretary: Harry Macdonald
Treasurer: Andrew Dodd

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chicago – The Episcopal Church

15 Sun Praying Together: Day One of the Season of Safeguarding

God, help us to bring to the light that which calls for attention,
Give us courage to hold it, to not look away,
Guide us to follow due process for all our protection,
Teach us daily just how to love,
So that guarding our safety is our true nature,
Grounded always in Jesus, your son.
Amen.

Prayer written by Marianne Hambrook - PA to the Director of Mission & Ministry & Senior Administrator

Anglican Communion:
2nd Sunday before Advent
Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

16 Mon Praying Together: Day Two of the Season of Safeguarding

God our rock, our fortress and our saviour,
you are the place of safety
where the frightened may shelter and the wounded be held.
Make your Church a place of safety in your likeness:
strong to protect the vulnerable,
honest where we have failed,
and patient in listening to those who have been harmed.
Be the shield of every child and every adult at risk,
and the power that saves those who found no safety among us;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Prayer written by Canon Dr Neville Emslie - Director of Mission and Ministry

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chichester – The Church of England

17 Tue Praying Together: Day Three of the Season of Safeguarding

Loving Lord,

Your nature is one of love.
You are a God of safety and protection.
Let us reflect your nature in our churches, schools, and communities to ensure people can live free of harm, abuse, or neglect.
Protect our vulnerable and empower us to be a light in the darkness.
Bless our churches to offer spaces of safety and welcome.
Encourage us to have ears to listen and hearts to serve.
Fill us with the wisdom to practice community well, where all can belong.

Amen.

Prayer written by Jen Tobin - Lead Officer for Children and Young People Ministry

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chotanagpur – The Church of North India (United)

18 Wed Praying Together: Day Four of the Season of Safeguarding

We pray for the ministry of our Parish Safeguarding Officers who give of themselves to serve our churches and parishes.
We pray for the ministry of our licensed ministers and clergy as they provide leadership and model good Safeguarding practice across our churches.
We pray for our PCCs as they take responsibility for good safeguarding practice in our churches and their outreach into the community.
We pray for the ministry and outward reach of our churches as they seek to provide safe and warm spaces for people from all walks of life.
We pray for survivors, and all who are hurting right now, may they find comfort, peace and the courage to seek support.

Prayer written by Nigel Collins - Lay Ministries Advisor / Pastoral Secretary

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Christ the King – Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

19 Thurs Praying Together: Day Five of the Season of Safeguarding

Lord, our defender and protector,
you cover us with your wings
and keep us safe in your care.
We pray for all who serve in safeguarding across this diocese:
our parish safeguarding officers, the diocesan safeguarding team,
clergy, churchwardens and volunteers.
Give them clear sight, courage to act,
and gentleness in their care of others.
Shelter beneath your wings all who carry hidden harm,
and grant that all who come to your Church for safety
may find there nothing less than your welcome;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer written by Canon Dr Neville Emslie - Director of Mission and Ministry

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Christ the King – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

20 Fri Praying Together: Day Six of the Season of Safeguarding

Loving God

We acknowledge our collective responsibility for safeguarding and for actively protecting and upholding the dignity of every child and young person in our parish and school communities. Give wisdom, compassion and courage to leaders, staff, volunteers and families as they seek to provide a child-centred and safe environment; to listen well, recognise harm and act without delay. Help us all to take courageous actions to better reflect Jesus' love for the vulnerable, that every person may feel valued and embrace life in all its fullness.

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Prayer written by Canon Dr Quentin Roper - Diocesan Director of Education

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Christchurch – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

21 Sat Praying Together: Day Seven of the Season of Safeguarding

Loving God
we give thanks for the precious gift of life.
Give us strength and courage to speak out against all forms of abuse.
Help us to recognise the importance of Safeguarding as an aspect of our discipleship; as we strive to share your love and message of hope which is for all people.
In the Name of Jesus, we pray.
Amen.

Prayer written by Nigel Collins - Lay Ministries Advisor / Pastoral Secretary

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Chubu – The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

22 Sun Praying Together: Day Eight of the Season of Safeguarding

May God give us eyes to recognise abuse where it exists. May God give us hearts to reach out in compassion. May God give us courage and resolve to make a difference wherever we are.

If you have looked into a mirror today and have seen what you know is an abuse of power, may God give you the determination to change.

If you have suffered abuse in the past or suffer it now, at the hands or tongue of another person, may God bring healing into your mind and body. Amen.

Prayer from www.restored-uk.org - New Church Prayer Resource

Anglican Communion:
Christ the King: The Church of England

23 Mon Praying Together: as Advent approaches

Reflecting Together
We often think of peace in Christian circles as a feeling we experience individually, but in Isaiah, peace primarily means an end to war.

If you are feeling battle-weary, literally or metaphorically, perhaps you can take comfort in knowing our certain future. Evil will not win the day. Peace will come. Joy will follow. In between, we wait in hope.

Praying Together
Dear Lord, thank you for always being on the side of the oppressed, not the oppressor. Please minister to all those suffering from warfare today. I long for an end to war and pray for your peace in this world. Amen.

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Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Clogher – The Church of Ireland

24 Tue Praying Together with the Canterbury 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:

Bernard Allen, Carl Fredrik Arvidsson, Miriam Bier Hinksman, Sara Bimson, Martin Burrell, Perry Butler, Bill Campen, Helen Connoll, Nina Coulthard, Diane Fawcett, Dominic Fenton, Peter Freeman, Peter Ingrams, Christopher Irvine, Brian Kelly, Lorraine Lawrence, Steve Lillicrap, Alastair Mansfield, Audrey McCartan, Brian McHenry, Shiela Porter, Peter Richmond, David Roper, Eileen Routh, Howard Such, Sue White, Brian Williams

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese on the Coast – The Church of Nigeria

25 Wed Praying Together with the Canterbury 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.

Pray in particular today for:

Lindsay Collins, Alison Walker, Stephen Laird, Martin Robbins, Dave Stroud, Helen Connoll, Geoff Pearson, Jo Richards, Sally Pickersgill, Peter Joyce, Dawn Watson, Tricia Hill, Caroline Spencer, Lucy Sullivan, Paul Glass, Richard Braddy, Darcy Marriner

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Cochin – The Church of South India (United)

26 Thurs Blean: St Cosmus & St Damian
Clergy: Stephen Laird, Stacey Rand
Reader: Peter Clough
Reader: Henrik Schoenefeldt

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Coimbatore – The Church of South India (United)

27 Fri Canterbury: All Saints
Clergy: Patrick Ellisdon
Assistant Curates: Angela Swindley, Joy Dunton
Reader: Gavin Netherton
School: St John's Church of England Primary School

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Colombia – The Episcopal Church

28 Sat Canterbury: St Martin & St Paul
Clergy: Mary Kells, Charlotte Sleigh
Readers: Samuel Keeler-Walker, Mary Butcher, Roxanne Lee-Affonso

Please pray for our Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) groups at St Martin & St Paul. We originally started with one Growing in Faith group (which is still going!) and have recently expanded with groups to cover older adults of working age and those of post-retirement age. We are on the cusp of beginning a teens GIFT. Please pray for these groups, that they may be life-giving.
Please also pray for our Children and Young People ministry, which we are seeking to develop, and that we may be supported in our desire to be a truly inter-generational church.

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Colombo – The Church of Ceylon (Extra Provincial)

29 Sun Praying Together: Advent Sunday

Reflecting Together
If you feel surrounded by darkness right now, remember our future - an eternity when 'there will be no night' (Revelation 21:25). Meanwhile, in our current dark places, Jesus is our light, and his presence is our hope, however dim it may seem sometimes.

On a dark winters day, let us light a candle.

Praying Together
In the midst of despair, may I know your hope.
In the midst of gloom, may I feel your presence.
In the midst of darkness, may I walk in your light.
Amen.

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Anglican Communion:
Advent 1
Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

30 Mon Canterbury: St Mary Bredin

Clergy: Barney De Berry, Stephen Carter
Reader-in-Training: James Johnson

Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Colorado – The Episcopal Church

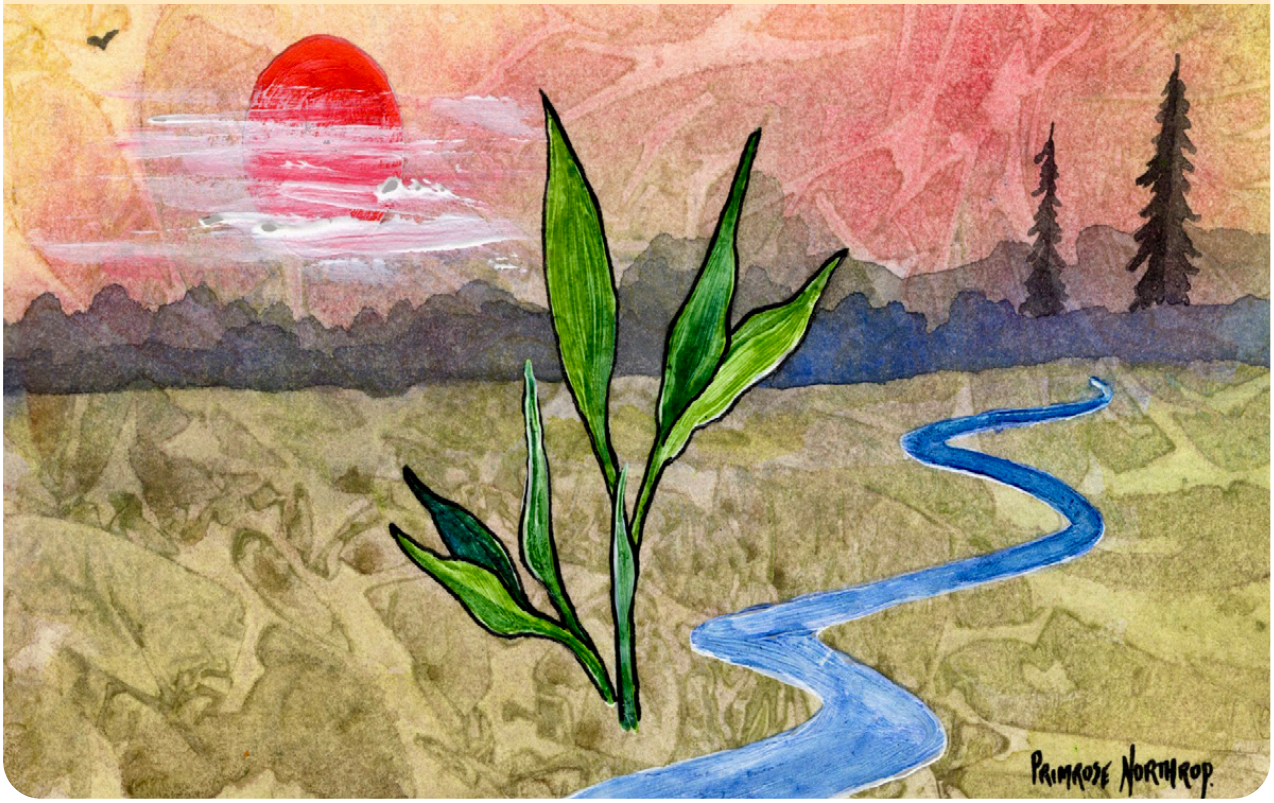
THE WONDER OF PRAYER

SEASON OF CREATION – BALANCE AND BLESSING

'They will never be scorched by the heat of the sun. For the Lamb on the throne will be their Shepherd. He will lead them to springs of life ...' (Revelation 7:16-17 NLT)

Jesus, Good Shepherd -

- You love all that you have made; tend and heal your beautiful creation.
- As temperatures rise and seasons distort, teach us to value this earth you have entrusted to us.
- For those whose livelihoods have been affected by months of drought, send your water of life.
- For those devising policies that will help slow climate change, give wisdom and boldness.
- For a church so often preoccupied by other things, show us the joy of caring for creation.



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Creator God, this earth tells the story of our greed and your goodness.

Give us faith to believe that we can partner with you to write a new chapter:

one where we don't take your generosity for granted;

one where we live in harmony with the natural world;

one where this human family of ours takes good care of our home.

Amen.

Think about all those in your local community who have been affected by drought or flooding in the past year. How might the church be a blessing to them in the next few months?

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