

St Andrew's and All Saints Prayer Diary – March 2020

During this period of Lent we are encouraged to look at our own discipleship journeys. Perhaps use the “Reviewing your day” leaflet and take time out to reflect with God on each day and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance as we do so.

We will use headings from the discipleship MOT to headline each week's prayer.

We will also be praying particularly for those who have the responsibility of preaching in our Sunday Services.

Remember and continue to hold in prayer those who lead our churches:

Dave and Alice Bruce, Joshua and Eleanor

Peter and Emma Myres, Charlotte, Pippa, James and Alice

For Eddy and Hanna Edwards, especially in this time of loss

Helen Attree, Kim, Becky and Lauren

Week 1 – reflect Upwards – being with Jesus. Spending time with Him and reading His word. Listening to His voice to guide us into deeper relationship with Him. Knowing Him and walking with Him in our lives.

Sunday 1st March – Pray for our morning services today in St Andrew's and All Saints. Pray for the Young adults Board Game afternoon, and for Deeper this evening. Today is St David's Day – pray for the country of Wales, and any Welsh people known to you.

Monday 2nd March – Pray for David Ritchie, that the Lord will protect and bless him in the ministry he has been given and pray too for Lis and their family.

Tuesday 3rd March – Pray for the Lent course starting this evening at All Saints and particularly for Paul Hunt as he leads it – ‘Let God encounter you through the scripture’ as we go through Romans 8.

Wednesday 4th March – Pray for Mike Pilavachi as he speaks at the Ignite event this evening at the Priory, and particularly for the young people and non-Christians attending.

Thursday 5th March – Pray for All Saints PCC as they meet this evening.

Friday 6th March – Today is the Women's World Day of Prayer, and local Christians will be meeting in the afternoon at St Leonard's, Newland and in the evening at St Joseph's RC church. Pray for reconciliation across the world, and

particularly for Zimbabwe, as women of that country encourage us to “Rise, take your mat and walk”.

Saturday 7th March – Today there is a Quiet Morning exploring prayer through movement – “Until He comes”. Pray for this, and for Jane Long as she leads it. Remember, too, the third session of the Divorce Recovery Workshop meeting at St Andrew’s, and Gill Owen as she leads it. Pray too for the CAP money course, beginning this morning and continuing for the next two Saturdays.

Week 2 – reflect Inwards – becoming like Jesus. Being available for Him to shape and transform us into His likeness. Becoming more Christ-like in our character and attitude.

Sunday 8th March – Pray for our morning services today in St Andrew’s and All Saints and for the Fellowship lunch at All Saints.

Monday 9th March – Pray for Paul Hunt, that the Lord will protect and bless him in the ministry he has been given and pray too for Diana and their family.

Tuesday 10th March – Pray for Barry Austin, that the Lord will protect and bless him in the ministry he has been given and pray too for Debbie and their family.

Wednesday 11th March – Pray for the Waiting Room @ All Saints, and all those who attend. Pray for the Wyche school as they seek to appoint a new Head. Pray for the right person to apply as they advertise for the 3rd time.

Thursday 12th March – Pray for Alice Bruce, that the Lord will protect and bless her in the ministry she has been given and continue to pray for Dave and their family.

Friday 13th March – Pray for Peter Buchanan, that the Lord will protect and bless him in the ministry he has been given and pray too for Margaret and their family. Pray for Margaret Jupe’s funeral at 2pm this afternoon at St Andrew’s. Pray that it will be a special celebration of her life and point others to Jesus. Pray particularly for Michael and the family as they come to terms with their sudden loss.

Saturday 14th March – pray for the Alpha awayday today, for all present to be aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Pray for those who attend to be willing to be touched by the Holy Spirit. Pray too for those attending the CAP fundraising quiz in Malvern Wells this evening.

Week 3 – reflect Outwards – living like Jesus. Discovering where He is working in our frontlines and being available for Him to use. Asking “What would Jesus do?”

Sunday 15th March – Pray for our morning services today in St Andrew’s and All Saints, and in particular for Youth Church this evening @ All Saints.

Monday 16th March – pray for our Life Groups as they meet together at Life Group Central this evening. For relationships to be strengthened within the groups, and for a sense of purpose in growing deeper together and with God.

Tuesday 17th March – Today is St Patrick’s Day. Pray for the countries of Ireland and Northern Ireland, and any people you know in those countries. Pray for peace and reconciliation, and solutions to be found for the issues surrounding Brexit.

Wednesday 18th March – Pray for Jacqui Green, that the Lord will protect and bless her in the ministry she has been given and pray too for Andy and their family. Pray for Abi Pamich from St Andrew’s in her work as a psychologist, that through her God would transform lives and bring healing to those in need.

Thursday 19th March – Pray for Jo Hartwright, that the Lord will protect and bless her in the ministry she has been given and pray too for Paul and their family.

Friday 20th March – As Spring begins with the Vernal Equinox today, pray that God will bring us into new seasons in our walk with Him, and bring fresh shoots of new life into our dealings and conversations.

Saturday 21st March – Pray for the Creativity Day being held today at St Andrews, that folk will be able to connect with God in new and creative ways. Pray too for those attending the Marriage Matters evening.

Week 4 – taking Action. Reflecting on what God has been saying to us over the month, and what steps we need to take in the light of this.

Sunday 22nd March – Mothering Sunday. Pray for our morning services today in St Andrew’s and All Saints, and for St Andrews shared lunch today. Pray today for mothers and grandmothers, for those who long to be mothers and those who have lost children.

Monday 23rd March – Pray for Heather Williamson, that the Lord will protect and bless her in the ministry she has been given and pray too for David and their family.

Tuesday 24th March – Pray for Derham Cook, that the Lord will protect and bless him in the ministry he has been given and pray too for Ruth and their family.

Wednesday 25th March – Pray for Judith Keene, that the Lord will protect and bless her in the ministry she has been given and pray too for her family.

Thursday 26th March – Pray for Messy Church @ All Saints, for the children who attend and their parents and carers, and for those leading.

Friday 27th March – Please pray that many users of St Andrew's church centre, as well as church members, will read the interview with Mark Seyler on the board in the corridor, and be challenged by his story and his commitment to witnessing where he works. Pray for Mark, Emily and their three children.

Saturday 28th March – Pray for the work of the Lyttelton Well, for the Café and the cooks and servers, for the Bookshop and its volunteers, for the Counselling Service and the team of people involved in that.

Sunday 29th March – Pray for our morning services today in St Andrew's and All Saints, and for All Saints APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting). As this Sunday marks the beginning of Passiontide in the church calendar, reflect on Jesus and the events leading up to His death and resurrection.

Monday 30th March – Pray for those who serve across Malvern in the Food Bank and Maggs Centre. Also for those who use these resources, that they will receive not just a food parcel or shelter, but also a blessing from God.

Tuesday 31st March – Pray for the work of CAP, and for Chris Mesley and Denise Ditchburn. Pray that they and the befrienders will carry the fragrance of Jesus with them as they meet with people in need. Pray too for Colin Robbins and the Blessings team.