# **Cumbria Prayer Diary**

# **April 2020**



Praying with our fellow Christians in Cumbria, together with our link dioceses of Northern Argentina, Stavanger and Zululand

## Coronavirus

During the coming months whilst Church House remains closed the Prayer Diary will only be available online. If you wish to have a printed copy, please make local arrangements to have the diary printed off.

The prayer diary has a new daily intention to pray for all health staff in the county. This list for April will not be comprehensive so please do send me anyone or any place that has been missed. In the meantime, please do use the prayer which has been composed for Cumbria, as follows:

Loving God, as your Son healed the sick

And brought good news to the needy

Be with us this day.

Loving Jesus as you taught us to

'Do unto others as you would have them do to you'

Be with all the medical staff this day.

Loving spirit, your gift is healing,

Bring your healing fire to our homes, our hospitals and our county,

But most of all, be with us this day. Amen

## New Format of the Prayer Diary

The Prayer Diary now follows weekly themes. In this way, the diary can focus on each Mission Community and Deanery, as well as marking special weeks in the Church Year. Therefore, the weekly theme will always be the first intention. The Anglican Communion will now come under the more general title of the World Church. The other sections will be included in the same way as before. The Prayer Diary necessarily does not include everything, for example all the Lectionary saints' days, rather it is a selection for each day. For full information of the Anglican Communion please visit https://www.anglicancommunion.org/resources/cycle-of-prayer.aspx

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Week Thirteen Theme		Calder Deanery
Sunday 29 March		Lent 5
Calder	For our Mis	ssion Communities: East Whitehaven;
Deanery	Central Wh	itehaven; Coast to Fell; South Calder

WorldToday, the fifth Sunday in Lent, is the focus of the Primates'ChurchTask Group's call for a period of prayer and repentance in the<br/>Anglican Communion. The Bishop of West Malaysia, Moon<br/>Hing, is a member of the Task Group and has written this<br/>prayer, which the Task Group offers to the Anglican<br/>Communion for use today:

#### Anglican Communion Collect for Passiontide

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Sovereign Lord of the universe, Creator of humankind, we, your unfaithful children, are truly sorry for our sins and the lives that we have lived. We sincerely believe and confess in our hearts that only through the precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross at Calvary, can we obtain Your forgiveness. We repent that: In thought, word or deed, we have committed serious offences against You and our neighbours; In laziness, despair and lust for power, we have provoked hatred, division and hurt within our communities; In greed, deceit and indifference, we have caused serious damage, unnecessary conflict and aggravated destruction to our refugee and migrant brothers and sisters; In selfishness, insensitivity and bias, we have encouraged and emboldened those who inflict hurt, pain and sorrow on our loved ones and families; In the name of religion, doctrine and even of Christ himself, we have wounded believers and pursuers of holiness and faith; In stubbornness, pride and arrogance, we have caused division and strife within Your church and among Your children; Mercifully send Your Holy Spirit – the Spirit of order and comfort – and cleanse us from all unrighteousness; restore in us true faith in Christ which brings truth, peace and harmony; and help us to walk together with our brothers and sisters in the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ to the glory of Your name. Amen.

God for All	Pray for the planning for the #mycalling Roadshows in the Summer, encouraging all Christians to think about how they live out their call to follow Jesus.
Mission Community	Mission Community 'Mission Weekend' with Bishop Emma in June, and all future joint mission initiatives.
Diocese	For the leadership of the diocese in seeking to respond wisely and carefully to the coronavirus pandemic.
Our Bishops	Bishop James and Bishop Emma are supporting local clergy and churches, as well as assisting in co-ordinating the diocesan response.

# Monday 30 March

Calder	The Rev'd Canon Allen Banks Rural Dean and
Deanery	Mr Jim Greening Lay Chair.
World Church	Mbamili in the province of Nigeria, The Right Revd Henry Okeke. Wau in the province of South Sudan, The Most Revd Moses Deng Bol. Ibba in the province of South Sudan, The Right Revd Wilson Elias Kamani.

# Tuesday 31 March

Calder Deanery	The Rev'd Alison Riley, Network Youth Church Minister.
World Church	Mbeere in the province of Kenya, The Right Revd Moses Masamba Nthukah. Wellington in Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia, The Right Revd

Justin Duckworth. Idah in the province of Nigeria, The Right Revd Joseph Musa.

## Wednesday 1 April F D Maurice

Frederick Dennison Maurice, was an English Anglican theologian, a prolific author, and one of the founders of Christian socialism.

Calder Deanery	For the work in our deanery secondary schools
World Church	Mbhashe, in the province of Southern Africa, The Rt Rev'd Elliott Williams Wernyol in the province of South Sudan, The Rt Rev'd Gabriel Kuol Garang

## **Thursday 2 April**

Calder Deanery	For lunch and chat clubs, prayer groups throughout the deanery
World Church	Meath and Kildare, Ireland, The Most Rev'd Patricia Louise Storey West Ankole in the province of Uganda, The Rt Rev'd Johnson Twinomujuni

For the widespread communities and the difficulties in
meeting together with our fellow christians
Medak, province of South India, The Rt Rev'd A C Solomon
Raj
West Lango in the province of Uganda, The Rt Rev'd Alfred
Acur Okodi

## Saturday 4 April

Calder Deanery	For the commissioning of Central Whitehaven and the launch/commissioning of Coast to Fell later this year.
World Church	Melbourne in the province of Australia, The Most Rev'd Philip Leslie Freier West Missouri, The Episcopal Church, the Rt Rev'd Martin Field

#### Sunday 5 April

# Week ofFor Holy Week as a time of repentance and for all to knowRepentancethe generosity of God's forgiveness.

- *Coronavirus* For all medical staff in the county, praying for them in the front line carrying for the sick and those most in need.
- World Church Pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean The Most Revd James Richard Wong Yin Song - Archbishop, Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of the Seychelles.
- God for All Fresh Expressions as new ways of connecting people are being explored to keep fellowships in contact despite the limitations imposed by the coronavirus.
- Diocese For Derek Hurton and the diocesan leadership in tackling the changing situation and new issues on a daily basis. For the three Archdeacons in practically supporting churches.
- *Our Bishops* For Bishop James and Bishop Emma as they support clergy and churches, and ensure the necessary pastoral support and care of everyone in the county.

Monday 6 Apri	l Holy Monday
Week of	That all church members may proclaim the good news of
Repentance	the gospel, and we repent of the times we have not done
	this.
Coronavirus	
	For the Risedale Surgery in Barrow in Furness, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	
	Meru, province of Kenya, The Rt Revd Charles Mwendwa. West Malaysia, province of South East Asia, The Most Revd

Tuesday 7 Apri	l Holy Tuesday
Week of Repentance	That we might seek to teach, baptise and nurture new believers, and we repent of our failure to welcome all in the past.
Coronavirus	The Lakes Medical Practice, Penrith for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Mexico in the province of Mexico, The Rt Revd Carlos Touche-Porter. West Tennessee, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Don Johnson. IDeato in the province of Nigeria, The Most Revd Caleb Maduoma.

#### Wednesday 8 April Holy Wednesday

Week ofThat all of us will respond to human need by loving service,Repentancewe repent of the times we have failed to respond.

- *Coronavirus* The Croft Surgery, Wigton for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
- World Church Michigan in The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Bonnie Perry. West Texas, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd David Reed.

Thursday 9 Ap	ril Maundy Thursday
Week of Repentance	That we might seek to transform unjust structures of society, and we repent that we have failed to speak out.
Coronavirus	Staveley Survey, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Milwaukee in the The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Steven Miller. West Virginia, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Willam Michie Klusmeyer. Western Izon, province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Edafe Emamez.

Friday 10 April	Good Friday
Week of Repentance	That everyone should strive for the care of all creation, and repent of our misuse of this planet and its gifts.
Coronavirus	Birkbeck Medical Group, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Minna in the province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Daniel Abu Yisa. Western Kansas, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Michael Milliken.

Saturday 11 April

Easter Eve

Week ofFor the people we have fallen out with, for our lack of love,Repentancefor our failure to live as Jesus taught us, we repent of all<br/>these sins.

- *Coronavirus* Court Thorn Surgery, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
- World Church Minnesota, the Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Brian Prior
  Western Kowloon in Hong Kong, The Rt Revd Andrew Chan.
  Idoani in the province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Ezekiel
  Dahunsi.

Week Sixteen Theme Sunday 12 April Whitehaven Mission Community EASTER DAY

Mission St.Peter's, Kells.

Community	The Parish of Whitehaven Woodbank Community Church Cafe Church Hensingham Methodist Church Whitehaven United Reformed Church The Salvation Army, Whitehaven.
Coronavirus	West Cumberland Hospital, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem and the People of the Land of the Holy One.
God for All	Prayer for the Barrow, West Coast and Carlisle Pioneer Practitioner Enabler posts
Diocese	For the Church House staff and the difficulties, they are facing at the present time, for our Church Schools, all staff and children.
Our Bishops	For the leadership of Bishop James and Bishop Emma and their role in uniting the diocese and county. For the ecumenical leadership and for working together in the Gospel.

Monday 13 April Easter Monday

MissionDave Harkison & The Elders at Whitehaven URCCommunityThe Rev'd Allen Banks, Associate PriestMr Paul Worthington, ChurchwardenMrs Jaq Moore, ChurchwardenKells: For the appointment of a new priestRevd Robert Jackson & Mrs Anna JonesRevd's Paul and Kina SaundersJohn Campbell

	Lieutenants David & Eveline Haines
Coronavirus	Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Mishamikoweesh, province of Canada, The Rt Revd Lydia Mamakwa. Western Louisiana, The Episcopal Church The Rt Revd Jacob W Owensby. Ife in the province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Olubunmi A Akinlade. Ife East in the province Nigeria, The Rt Revd Oluseyi Oyelade.

## Tuesday 14 April Easter Tuesday

Mission Community	Our toddler groups. Ministry to our various Primary Schools Uniformed Organisations their leaders		
Coronavirus	Penrith Hospital, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.		
World Church	Mississippi, The Episcopal Church The Rt Revd Brian Seage. Western Massachusetts, The Episcopal Church The Rt Revd Douglas Fisher. Ifo in the province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Nathaniel Oladejo Ogundipe.		

Wednesday 15 April Easter Wednesday

Mission Community Food-Share and community lounge project. 'Coffee and Crack' in St. James' Community Centre. Craft & Chat, Friday Friends. Tuesday Chat Club

*Coronavirus* Cockermouth Community Hospital, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.

World Church Missouri, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Wayne Smith. Western Mexico, province of Mexico, The Revd Ricardo Joel Gómez Osnaya.

#### Thursday 16 April Easter Thursday

- MissionCafe ChurchCommunityOur frequent 'festival' services with our schools.
- *Coronavirus* Westmorland General Hospital, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
- World Church Mityana in the province of Uganda, now vacant.
  Western Michigan, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd Whayne Hougland.
  Western New York, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd William Franklin.

Friday 17 April

**Easter Friday** 

MissionFor changes on our leadership team - for a smoothCommunitytransition and understanding.To address the feeling of remoteness from the Mission<br/>Community

URC: Increasingly elderly congregation, struggle to get folk to be Elders who are responsible for spiritual & pastoral care but too often tied up with building matters

*Coronavirus* Workington Community Hospital, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.

 World Church Mombasa, province of Kenya, The Rt Revd Alphonce Mwaro Baya.
 Western Newfoundland, province of Canada, The Rt Revd John Organ.
 Western North Carolina, The Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd José Antonio McLoughlin.

Saturday 18 Ap	oril Easter Saturday
Mission Community	Pray that we will be open to the moving of the spirit in guiding us as a church but also as a mission community. Kells: For breaking down the barriers within the community
Coronavirus	Keswick Community Hospital, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Monmouthm Church of Wales, The Rt Revd Cherry Vann. Western Tanganyika, province of Tanzania, The Rt Revd Sadock Makaya. Igbomina, province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Emmanuel Adekola.

Week Sixteen Theme	<b>Carlisle West Mission Community</b>
Sunday 19 April	Easter 2

Mission Community	Carlisle West (St John's London Rd, St Andrew's Botcherby, St Peter's Kingmoor. St John's Houghton and 4LIFE). Give thanks for the 5 congregations meeting today, and ask that God changes each of us as his Spirit works through his Word the Bible.
Coronavirus	Warwick Road Surgery, Carlisle for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Pray for the new Primate of Church of Ireland, In Vacancy.
God for All	For Paul Rose 'outdoors and education pioneer', pray for good transition and a good welcome
Diocese	For those co-ordinating the work of the diocese and planning for the future months, for Ric Jacques and the members of the Diocesan Board of Finance
Our Bishops	For Bishop James and Bishop Emma for the responsability they are sharing to lead the diocese and to offer a sense of hope going forward.

# Monday 20 April

Mission Comm	unity	We are blessed with a large number of able and supportive leaders; pray that we lead and serve just as Jesus would. Give thanks for deep gospel unity, and pray that this continues to deepen.
Coronavirus		Spencer Street Surgery, Carlisle for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Montana in the Episcopal Church, The Rt Revd C. Franklin Brookhart. Wiawso in West Africa, The Rt Revd Abraham Kobina Ackah.	

Igbomina in West, Nigeria, The Rt Revd Olajide Adebayo.

#### Tuesday 21 April St Anselm

St Anselm was a monk with an intense spiritual life, an excellent teacher of the young, a theologian with an extraordinary capacity for speculation, a wise man of governance and an intransigent defender of the Church's freedom. He is one of the eminent figures of the Middle Ages who was able to harmonise all these qualities, thanks to the profound mystical experience that always guided his thought and his action.

Mission Community	Pray for the Mums & Toddlers group this morning, as well as our Sunday Schools our after school Quest Clubs, and especially our teenagers (at Impact and on Friday nights)
Coronavirus	Birbeck Medical Group, Penrith for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Montreal, province of Canada, The Rt Revd Mary Irwin- Gibson. Willochra in province of Australia, The Rt Revd John Stead. Ijebu province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Ezekiel Awosoga. Ijebu, province of North Nigeria, The Rt Revd Solomon Kuponu.

#### Wednesday 22 April

*Mission Community* Give thanks for the many good friendships which exist with those who wouldn't want to call themselves Christians, and ask that through Mothers Union, meals and other opportunities, they might turn and be saved.

<i>Coronavirus</i> patients.	Caldbeck Surgery, Wigton for all doctors, nurses, staff and
World Church	Moosonee, province of Canada, The Rt Revd Thomas Corston

Winchester, province of England, The Rt Revd Tim Dakin.

### Thursday 23 April St George

Martyred at Lydda (now Lod) in Israel, during the persecutions of Diocletian. A renewed devotion to St George can be attributed to the Crusaders. He became the patron of soldiers. Edward III made George patron of the Order of the Garter and St George's Chapel, Windsor, is dedicated in his name. Though he probably did not slay a dragon or rescue a maiden (as in many legends) he is also a patron of Russia, Venice, Genoa, Portugal, Aragon and Lithuania and is even mentioned in Islamic tradition.

*Mission Community* The work at St Andrew's Botcherby is re-started, and we intend to plant a new congregation in Houghton. Please commit these both to the Lord of the Church.

Coronavirus	Castlehead Medical	Centre, f	for all	doctors,	nurses,	staff
and patients.						

World Church Moray, Ross & Caithness, Church of Scotland, The Most Revd Mark Strange (Primate)
 Windward Islands (West Indies) The Rt Revd C. Leopold Friday.
 Wondurba (South Sudan) The Rt Revd Matthew Taban Peter.

Friday 24 April St Mellitus

Mellitus was the first Bishop of London in the Saxon period, the third Archbishop of Canterbury and a member of the Gregorian Mission sent to England to convert to Christianity. Mellitus was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury in 619, during his tenure, he was alleged to have miraculously saved the cathedral, and much of the town of Canterbury, from a fire. After his death in 624, Mellitus was revered as a saint.

*Mission Community* The three great enemies of mission are the world, the flesh and the devil. Pray that we Christians here will live out the great baptismal promises, and fight valiantly as disciples of Christ.

*Coronavirus* Kirkoswald Doctors Surgery, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.

World Church Morobo, province of South Sudan, The Rt Revd James Kenyi Elia. Worcester, province of England, The Rt Revd John Inge.

### Saturday 25 April St Mark the Evangelist

According to the Coptic tradition, Saint Mark was born in Cyrene in the city in the Pentapolis of North Africa, a region now know as Libya. This tradition adds that Mark returned to Pentapolis later in life, after being sent by Paul to Colossae some however, think writings may refer to Mark the Cousin of Barnabas serving with him in Rome. When Mark returned to Alexandria, the pagans of the city resented his efforts to turn the Alexandrians away from the worship of their traditional gods. In AD 68, he was dragged through the streets until he was dead.

Mission Community	We are seeking to raise funds for a further minister, and are praying Matt 9:35-38 very regularly. Please join us in asking the Lord of the Harvest to keep on raising up more workers for his harvest field.
Coronavirus	Eden Medical Group, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Morogoro Tanzania, The Rt Revd Godfrey Sehaba. Wulu in province of South Sudan, The Rt Revd Zacharia Mangar Apeti. Ijesa North East, province of Nigeria, The Rt Revd Joseph Olusola.

Week Seventeen Theme	South Lakes Mission Community
Sunday 26 April	Easter 3

Mission Community	The church families who worship at St. Martin's Bowness, Carver Uniting Church, St. Ann's Ings, St. Cuthbert's Kentmere, St. James Staveley, Jesus Church Troutbeck, St. Mary's Windermere and Windermere Methodist Church
Coronavirus	Station House Surgery, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East The Most Revd Michael Lewis,—Archbishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East & Bishop of Cyprus and the Gulf.
God for All	For Chris Harwood and the new monastics fresh expression in Carlisle
Diocese	For all the projects and recruitment at this present difficult time, for all those planning for an uncertain future.
Our Bishops	For Bishop James and Bishop Emma in their continuing support of the diocese and county.

Monday 27 April Christina Rossetti

Christina Georgina Rossetti (5 December 1830 – 29 December 1894) was an English poet who wrote a variety of romantic, devotional and children's poems. She is famous for writing 'Globin Market' and 'Remember'. She also wrote the words of the Christmas carols 'In the Bleak Midwinter' and 'Love Came Down at Christmas. 'Rossetti was educated at home by her mother and father, who had her study religious works, classics, fairy tales and novels.

MissionAll who lead worship and support the leadership of ourCommunitychurches including our Lay ministers and leaders, Readers,<br/>and Clergy

Coronavirus	Queen Street Medical Practice, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Mount Kenya Central in the province of Kenya, The Rt Revd Timothy Gichere. Mount Kenya South in the province of Kenya, The Rt Revd Timothy Ranji Mount Kenya West in the province of Kenya, The Rt Revd Joseph Kagunda.

## Tuesday 28 April

Mission Community	For the seeds we sow and nurture through our preschool groups, assemblies in Goodly Dale, Staveley and Windermere Primary schools and The Lakes School, lunch club at Staveley school, SOUL youth group, Messy Church and Sunday groups. Giving thanks for volunteer leaders, our Network Youth Minister Chris Mason and those who support and pray for the groups.
Coronavirus	Lowther Medical Centre, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Mount Kilimanjaro in the province of <i>Tanzania,</i> The Rt Revd Stan.ey Elilekia Hotay. Wusasa in the province of <i>Nigeria,</i> The Rt Revd Ali Buba Lamido. Ijesha North in the province of <i>Nigeria,</i> The Rt Revd Isaac Oluyamo.

Wednesday 29 April St Catherine of Siena

Born in Siena in 1347, into a very large family, she died in Rome in 1380. When Catherine was 16 years old, motivated by a vision of St Dominic, she entered the Third Order of the Dominicans, the female branch known as the Mantellate. While living at home, she confirmed her vow of virginity made privately when she was still an adolescent and dedicated herself to prayer, penance and works of charity, especially for the benefit of the sick.

Mission Community	For those who take the love of God to the housebound through visits and home communions. For the Lay Pastoral Worker at Carver Church. For opportunities to gather with the community at events and coffee mornings and all our Mothers' Union Branches
Coronavirus	Mansion House Surgery, Whitehaven for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Mpumalanga, province of <i>Southern Africa</i> , The Rt Revd Daniel Kgomosotho. Wyoming in the <i>The Episcopal Church</i> , The Rt Revd John Smylie.

### Thursday 30 April

Mission Community	For the new Holy Communion in the Community midweek services planned in Staveley
Coronavirus	Oxford Street Surgery, Workington for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Mpwapwa, province of Tanzania, The Rt Revd Jacob Erasto Chimeledya. Yambioin the province of South Sudan, The Most Revd Samuel Peni. Yangon in the province of Myanmar, The Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo Primate.

## Friday 1 May

St Philip and St James, Apostles

Philip is mentioned in all the Synoptic Gospels among the other apostles but only John mentions him as an individual. Philip was probably a Greek and tradition notes that he preached in Phrygia and died and was buried at Hierapolis. Matthew lists James (son of Alphaeus) and James (son of Zebedee) separately as members of the Twelve. James, Son of Zebedee, is known as 'James the Great', but the other James, the younger or 'James the Less' is probably the brother of the Lord and the great supporter of the Church in Jerusalem and, possibly the author of the Epistle of James.

Mission For a growth in the desire to tell faith stories and to share how God has been good to us. For financial constraints and lack of able-bodied volunteers to start and support new initiatives
 Coronavirus Corby Hill Surgery, Carlisle for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
 World Church Mthatha (formerly St John's) in the province of Southern Africa The Rt Revd Hummingfield Ndwandwe Yei in the South Sudan, The Rt Revd Hilary Adeba Luate.

#### Saturday 2 May

Mission Community	For plans for a afterschool drop in at Windermere
Coronavirus	Kirkoswald Surgery, for all doctors, nurses, staff and patients.
World Church	Muhabura in the province of Uganda, The Rt Revd Cranmer Mugisha Yeri in South Sudan The Rt Revd John Abraham Nyari

Ijumu in the province of Nigeria The Ven Paul Olarewaju Ojo.

# **God for All Prayer**

God for all,

You reached out to the world in your Son Jesus Christ. Help us to reach out in faith and love and witness to all. God for all, you send your Holy Spirit to empower and gift your Church. By your Spirit help us grow in unity, grow as followers of Jesus Christ, and grow in your kingdom in Cumbria and in this world Amen

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