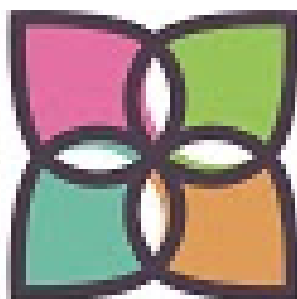


Cumbria Prayer Diary



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November 2023

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

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At the end of the prayer diary are prayers for Peace in Ukraine and the Vision Prayer.

Week Forty-Three Theme – Kingdom Season of Remembrance
Sunday 29th October – Last Sunday after Trinity

Kingdom – for the forthcoming Kingdom Season, for our eyes of faith to discern the Kingdom of God in our lives

God for All – for Messy Church, for all those continuing to meet and who are supporting one another.

World Church – The Anglican Church of Melansia

Monday 30th October

Kingdom – for all the churches who have nurtured us in the faith, giving thanks for the congregations that we have been members of over the past years

World Church - The Diocese of Araucania (Chile)

Bishop Rob – Attending House of Bishops

Tuesday 31st October

Martin Luther

Luther was the inspiration of the reformation. A strong character, his life remains controversial but he is remembered as the founder of the worldwide Lutheran church. Luther, in his translation of the German Bible, was the first to use chapter and verse numbers throughout the whole text.

Kingdom – give thanks for Martin Luther and the foundations of the Protestant churches

World Church - The Diocese of the Arctic (Canada)

Bishop Rob – Attending House of Bishops

Wednesday 1st November

All Saints

Today we remember All Saints, the whole company of the faithful who have gone before us and given an example of lives lived according to Christ's example. The saints are not worshipped themselves of course, but their lives are remembered as examples of God's grace and offer to us encouragement as Christ's disciples in our own lives.

Kingdom – for All Saints and Souls, our family and friends who laid the foundations of our own faith, giving thanks for their examples and holiness

World Church - The Diocese of Argentina

Bishop Rob – Attending House of Bishops

Thursday 2nd November

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

The celebration of All Souls dates from the fourth century, when many of those who had been martyred for the faith were remembered the day after All Saints. The day is observed worldwide now for all those who have died in faith and whose examples we wish to remember.

Kingdom– for the remembrance of those who have gone before us in the faith and whose legacy we have inherited.

World Church - The Diocese of Northern Argentina

Friday 3rd November

Richard Hooker

Hooker was one of the first theologians of the Church of England. His belief in the threefold basis of all doctrine in scripture, tradition and reason remains the basis of the Anglican Communion's understanding of systematic theology.

Kingdom – for all those who built our churches, giving thanks for their commitment to the faith.

World Church - The Diocese of Argyll and Isles

Saturday 4th November

Kingdom – for the Kingdom of God, its signs in our lives and our witness to the Kingdom values

World Church - The Diocese of Arizona (ECUSA)

Week Forty-Four Theme – Kendal Deanery Sunday 5th November – All Saints Sunday

Deanery – pray for our Mission Communities, for all denominations and leaders.

God for All – Give thanks for those undertaking the Certificate in Pioneer Mission - both those in Cumbria and those further afield training - and pray they will be inspired and equipped as they engage in innovative mission across the region.

World Church – La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

Monday 6th November

Deanery – for the new Mission Community leaders and for those in local leadership.

World Church – The Diocese of Arkansas – The Episcopal Church

Bishop Rob – Attending Bishop's Council

Tuesday 7th November

St Willibrord

Known as the Apostle of the Frisians he became the first bishop of Utrecht. Originally from Northumbria he was one of the leaders of the seventh century missionary movement from the English church which converted the pagan tribes of what is now the Netherlands and Northern Germany.

Deanery – for all the churches of the Mission Communities, giving thanks for a desire to work together in mission.

World Church - The Diocese of Armagh – The Church of Ireland

Wednesday 8th November

Deanery – for all those working with young people, for Messy Church and for the deanery NYC

World Church – The Diocese of Armidale – The Anglican Church of Australia

Bishop Rob – Licensing of Tudor Boddam-Whetham at St John the Evangelist, Carlisle

Thursday 9th November

Deanery – for local schools and for all those building bridges between the Mission Communities and the families in their communities

World Church - The Diocese of Arochukwu / Ohafia – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – God for All Strategy Group meeting

Friday 10th November

St Leo the Great

He was Bishop of Rome from 29 September 440 until his death in 461. He saved Rome from invasion and

successfully defended faith in the two natures of Christ. One of the most important ancient teachers of the doctrine of the Incarnation.

Deanery – for the elderly and housebound in the community, for all carers and the support of the local church congregations

World Church - The Diocese of Aru – Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

Saturday 11th November – Armistice Day

St Martin of Tours

The fourth century soldier saint, famous for the story of his compassion on a poor beggar. His community at Marmoutier was the inspiration for St Ninian and St Patrick in developing distinctive 'celtic' communities and life of prayer. There are high crosses dedicated to St Martin at Garton, Iona, Kells and Lindisfarne.

Remembrance – we pray for the Royal British Legion and all charities supporting veterans, remembering all those still suffering from the physical, mental and spiritual scars of war.

Deanery – for the opportunity to minister to the millions of visitors, and to offer a faithful witness to the gospel.

World Church - The Diocese of Asaba – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Week Forty-Five Theme – Interfaith Week
Sunday 12th November – Remembrance Sunday
Third Sunday before Advent

Remembrance Sunday – today we remember all those who have lost their lives in wars, from every race, religion and nationality, praying for the peace of the world.

Interfaith - we remember those who work for greater understanding between those of different faith traditions and for greater respect between those of different faiths

God for All - Pray for those developing new fresh Expressions at this time, particularly the high number seeking to engage with mental health and wellbeing work across the county, and seeking to support people as best as they can. For the new Renew cafes and the Healthy Healing Hubs.

World Church - Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Monday 13th November

Interfaith – we pray for this national interfaith week, for those of other faiths living in our community, for greater respect and understanding between those of different faith backgrounds.

World Church - The Diocese of Asante-Mampong – The Church of the Province of West Africa

Bishop Rob – Attending General Synod

Tuesday 14th November

Interfaith – for different faith groups in the county and for the groups who meet and support one another.

World Church – The Diocese of Saint Asaph – The Church in Wales

Bishop – Attending General Synod

Wednesday 15th November

Interfaith – for different places of worship locally and the faith groups who attend

World Church - The Diocese of Athabasca – The Anglican Church of Canada

Bishop Rob – Attending General Synod

Thursday 16th November

St Margaret of Scotland

She was an eleventh century Anglo-Saxon queen of Scots, married to King Malcolm. She was a generous and compassionate queen, known for her charitable deeds and her interventions as a peace keeper. She died in 1093 and made a saint a century later, still she is remembered in Scotland as a very 'Scottish' saint.

Interfaith – we remember all those who fought for the British Armed Forces from the commonwealth of all faiths, many of whom are remembered on our war memorials around the county.

World Church – The Diocese of Atlanta – The Episcopal Church

Friday 17th November

St Hugh of Lincoln

Hugh was very influential as Bishop in the eleventh century. The northern church had been destroyed following the attacks by successive Norman kings, many bishoprics were vacant and monastic communities abandoned. Hugh rebuilt the structure of the church and established the pattern of independent leadership.

Interfaith – we pray for all online interfaith events being held this weekend, and despite this year's restrictions we give thanks for different people coming together.

World Church - The Diocese of Attooch – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Saturday 18th November

Interfaith – for the national Interfaith Network and its joint chairs, Bishop Jonathan Clark and Mr Narendra Waghela, and national director Harriet Crabtree

World Church – The Diocese of Auckland – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

Bishop Rob – Reader licensing day and Cathedral service

Week Forty-Six Theme – Peace
Sunday 19th November – Second Sunday before
Advent

Peace – as we remember the promise of God’s Kingdom in the coming of Jesus, we pray for peace in our world, for an end to cruelty, violence and oppression.

God for All – Pray for the work of Emmanuel Theological College – especially for Paul Dunthorne and all the students from the county.

World Church – The Church of the Province of Myanmar

Bishop Rob – Ordination of Cornelia Noghiu in Maryport

Monday 20th November

Peace – we pray for the people of Ukraine and all who resist aggression in their lives, seeking to protect the most vulnerable and to care for the weakest.

World Church – The Diocese of North West Australia – The Anglican Church of Australia

Bishop Rob – Attending BLT meeting

Tuesday 21st November

Peace – we give thanks for the gift of music to still our minds and help us into a state of tranquillity.

World Church - The Diocese of Aweil – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Wednesday 22nd November

St Cecilia

Cecilia was a Roman martyr put to death in the third century. It was reported that she 'sang in her heart to the Lord' and became known as the patron saint of singers and musicians.

Peace – for courage to stand firm in the faith whatever the trials we face and to trust in the gospel of love.

World Church – The Diocese of Awerial – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Bishop Rob – DBF meeting and attending Vocations Day at Rydal Hall

Thursday 23rd November

St Clement

Clement was a first saint and author of the two letters named after him. At his trial he refused to renounce his faith and it is claimed he replied to the Emperor, 'I have served my Lord for over eighty years and he has done me no wrong, why should I abandon him now?' Clement was martyred for his faith.

Peace – for all those who seek to help others resolve their conflicts for all peacemakers, we pray in this county especially for the work of Place for Hope

World Church – The Diocese of Awgu /Aninri – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – hosting Deanery Clergy Supper in Kendal

Friday 24th November

Peace – for the victims of violence, especially those who suffer in their own homes and for whom there is no safe haven or sanctuary of peace

World Church – The Diocese of Awka – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Saturday 25th November

Peace – for the work of the United Nations, its Secretary General Antonio Guterres and for the UN agencies which do so much unseen on behalf of those in greatest need.

World Church – The Diocese of Awori – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – attending part of Fresh Expressions day

**Week Forty-Seven Theme – Barrow & Furness
Deanery
Sunday 26th November – Christ the King**

Deanery – pray for our Mission Communities, for all denominations and leaders.

God for All - Pray for IME1 students (ordinands and Readers in training) starting their contrasting parish placements at the start of Advent

World Church - The Church of Nigeria

Bishop Rob – preaching at the Bicentenary Service at St John's Workington and conducting a confirmation service in Flimby

Monday 27th November

Deanery – for the new Mission Community leaders and for those in local leadership.

World Church - The Diocese of Ayod – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Tuesday 28th November

Deanery – for all the churches of the Mission Communities, giving thanks for a desire to work together in mission.

World Church - The Diocese of Badagry – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Wednesday 29th November

Deanery – for all those working with young people, for Messy Church and for the deanery NYC

World Church - The Diocese of Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands – The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Bishop Rob – Attending House of Bishops

Thursday 30th November

St Andrew

Andrew led his brother to meet Jesus. He is the patron saint of all missionaries and fishermen. As patron saint of Scotland his flag is a reminder of his martyrdom for the faith.

Deanery – for local schools and for all those building bridges between the Mission Communities and the families in their communities

World Church - The Diocese of Ballarat – The Anglican Church of Australia

Bishop Rob – leading Penrith Deanery Chapter day at Rydal Hall

Friday 1st December

Charles de Foucauld

Charles died in 1916 living as a hermit among the Tuareg of Algeria. Despite not achieving his aim of

founding a contemplative community in his lifetime, his example has inspired the worldwide community of the Little Brothers of Jesus. He is best known for his personal prayer of abandonment:

*Father, I abandon myself into your hands;
do with me what you will.*

Whatever you may do, I thank you:

I am ready for all, I accept all.

*Let only your will be done in me,
and in all your creatures –*

I wish no more than this, O Lord.

Into your hands, I commend my soul:

I offer it to you with all the love of my heart,

*for I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself,
to surrender myself into your hands without reserve,*

and with boundless confidence,

*for you are my Father. **Amen***

Deanery – for the elderly and housebound in the community, for all carers and the support of the local church congregations

World Church - The Diocese of Bangor – The Church in Wales

Saturday 2nd December

Deanery – for the opportunity to minister to those in greatest need, and to offer a faithful witness to the gospel.

World Church – The Diocese of Banks and Torres – The Anglican Church of Melanesia

Vision Prayer

Living Lord, as we offer to you our common life,
refresh our vision that we may know your will
and seek to follow in all your ways.

May we **follow daily** as your disciples,
care deeply for one another in community,
speak boldly your gospel word of love,
and **tread gently** as faithful stewards of your goodness.
We ask this in the power of your holy name,
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer
of our lives, today and for ever. **Amen**

Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

Lord Jesus you are the Prince of Peace,
look upon our divided world
to be with those who are victims of violence.

We pray for the people of Ukraine
and all who have been subjected to the cruelty of others.
Help us to know the gift of your peace
in the power of your Spirit and
we ask you to soften the hearts
of those who can stop the fighting.
Creator God we ask for your aid as your children of light
living in the darkness of our world. Amen
But most of all, be with us this day. Amen