

Cumbria Prayer Diary



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*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, Israel and Gaza and the Vision Prayer.

Week Thirty Three Theme – Schools
Sunday 25th August – 13th Sunday after Trinity

Schools - for all children preparing to return to school during the coming weeks, especially for those who are moving schools praying that they will settle in quickly and make new friends. We also pray for teachers starting new jobs.

God for All - pray for the ecumenical strategy and that we might all speak boldly for the conversion of Cumbria and its communities to the Gospel

World Church - La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

Monday 26th August

Schools - for all staff at our local schools, giving thanks for their dedication, service, skills and knowledge

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

Tuesday 27th August

Schools - for all governors and professionals supporting our schools, we give thanks for their willingness to give time and of themselves in support of our children

World Church - The Diocese of Ijesa North East – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Wednesday 28th August

St Augustine of Hippo

Augustine wrote to many disciples about the spiritual disciplines and his followers later created the Augustinian rule. The foundation of Carlisle Cathedral is Augustinian as well as over twenty other foundations in the county.

Schools - for the DBE, for Andrew Towner Chair, and Charlotte Tudway as Director and the Schools and Education team working at Church House

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

Thursday 29th August

Schools - for families of children at our schools, for the support parents give to staff and for the community of our church schools

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

Friday 30th August

Schools - for the work of the National Society, for its chair Nigel Genders and their support of the diocesan boards of education

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

Saturday 31st August

St Aidan

Aidan is often referred to as the 'Apostle of the English'. He founded the community at Lindisfarne, and his gentle witness to the faith inspired the conversion of most English-speaking peoples. A passionate opponent of slavery, he freed many children and education was at the heart of his communities

Schools - for all volunteers who support local schools, through working in classes, fund raising and providing local meals for children

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

Week Thirty Four Theme – Ullswater MC

Sunday 1st September – 14th Sunday after Trinity

MC – for St Andrew's Dacre, Matterdale, All Saints Watermillock, St Michael's Barton, St Paul's Pooley Bridge, St Peter's and St Martin's, Martindale, St Patrick's Patterdale & Stainton Methodist. May the light of the Gospel shine brightly in our communities.

God for All - pray for all those on the Bishop's Council

World Church - Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Bishop Rob – continue to pray for +Rob as he leads the diocese during the current time of vacancy in see,

asking God's blessing upon him as Acting Diocesan Bishop

Monday 2nd September

MC - pray for Andrew Callaway, Tim Cooke, Gordon Dugmore, Cathy Helm, Geoff Withers, Kay Hall, Alan Wright and Tracey Cooke.

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

Tuesday 3rd September

Gregory the Great

'Not Angles but Angels', is a pun that works in both Latin and English. It is Pope Gregory's alleged words in Rome that prompted the mission of St Augustine of Canterbury in 597. St Gregory a wise and kindly Bishop of Rome is remembered fondly on this day.

MC - may we communicate clearly God's love as we lead the Messy church and Youth group meeting once a month in Stainton and for Patterdale CofE Primary School collective worship in St Patrick's each Monday.

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

Wednesday 4th September

MC - pray for the Make and Mend craft club in St Patrick's on the first Monday of the month and the lunch club for the lonely and isolated in Patterdale CofE Primary School.

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

Thursday 5th September

MC - bless the midweek service in Newbiggin and the Bible Study Group within the Barton Benefice

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

Friday 6th September

MC - Lord bring wisdom as we seek to reach out to the large numbers who visit the Lake District for short periods of time. Tackle the limited opportunities for younger families or younger generations to move into and settle into the area. Face the increasing challenges upon the time, resources and livelihoods of those living and working across the rural communities.

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

Bishop Rob – Introduction to the Ecumenical County Day at Church House

Saturday 7th September

MC - bring vision and unity as we encourage the sharing of resources and mission together across the Ullswater MC.

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

**Week Thirty Five Theme – Bishop’s Harvest Appeal
Sunday 8th September – 15th Sunday after Trinity**

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

There are many days in the Church’s Year to celebrate Mary, the mother of Jesus. Over the centuries today has been a special celebration in the English Church. Many churches in England are dedicated to the Nativity of Mary. Today we give thanks for her earthly life, her faith and love.

Harvest – for the Bishop’s Harvest Appeal. We give thanks for last year’s appeal in the DRC and Palestine, the money raised and the projects that were supported. We pray for this year’s new appeal.

World Church - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – at St Thomas’ Milnthorpe and the Installation of Ruth Newton as Archdeacon of Carlisle at Carlisle Cathedral

Monday 9th September

Harvest – for partnership with Christian Aid in Burkina Faso to help people learn how to produce an ecological charcoal which will boost harvests.

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

Bishop Rob – Bishop’s Leadership team meeting

Tuesday 10th September

Harvest – for partnership with the Church Mission Society in Northern Argentina to train people as Deacons to serve their congregations.

World Church - The Diocese of Ilesa South West – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Wednesday 11th September

Harvest – for the work of the Cumbrian Development Education Centre and Carlisle One World Centre who will also benefit from the Bishop’s Harvest Appeal.

World Church - The Diocese of North East India – The Church of North India (United)

Bishop Rob – God for All Operations Group meeting and Diocesan Board of Education meeting

Thursday 12th September

Harvest – for our local schools and their harvest celebrations, giving thanks for our children’s concern for the environment and care of creation.

World Church - The Diocese of Northern Indiana – The Episcopal Church

Bishop Rob – Bishop’s Council

Friday 13th September

St John Chrysostom

One of the four Greek Fathers of the Christian Church. One of the most influential preachers of the fourth century church, his sermons are still available to read. His clear and concise message of living out our daily discipleship resulted in his name 'the golden mouth'.

Harvest – for Harvest Festivals to be celebrated in our churches and parishes over this month, especially remembering Cumbrian farmers, those who work on the land and the challenges they face.

World Church - The Diocese of Indianapolis – The Episcopal Church

Saturday 14th September

Holy Cross Day

In the Church's Year there are several days when we are encouraged to remember Christ crucified. Holy Cross is a day when we remember the victory of the cross and celebrate our salvation in Jesus Christ.

Harvest – for the Partnership in World Mission Group, and for Bishop Peter in his chairing.

World Church - The Diocese of Inhambane – Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

Week Thirty Six Theme – Penrith MC
Sunday 15th September – 16th Sunday after Trinity

St Cyprian

Third century Bishop of Carthage, who was known for the way he opposed various heresies. During his episcopate, many died due to plague but such was his compassion and care that it came to be known as 'Cyprian's plague'. During the persecution of Emperor Valerian, he was executed and his burial site became an important shrine in the fourth century.

MC - for all the partner churches in Churches Together in Penrith

God for All - pray that we might tread gently and show our care for God's creation, for the work of Carbon Neutral group

World Church - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – at St John's Keswick

Monday 16th September

St Ninian

Ninian was born at the end of the fourth century and trained in Rome. He returned home to Galloway and founded his community at Whithorn. His pattern of community was copied by Patrick and Columba. Ninian introduced the practice of prayer from the desert teachers and the priority of John's Gospel. He is the founding saint of Christianity in Britain and Ireland.

MC - for a deepening sense of fellowship and mutual support and for capacity to work well together while sustaining existing busy ministry in the growing town

World Church – The Diocese of Iowa – The Episcopal Church

Bishop Rob – College of Bishops

Tuesday 17th September

St Hildegard

Benedictine nun from the twelfth century, Hildegard's poems and songs made her very influential in the church. Her spirituality was rooted in 'the living light' of Jesus in every human life. Her visions of the light of Christ have inspired Christians throughout the centuries.

MC - for our outreach to local schools (primary and secondary) and the ministry of The Gathering Youth Cafe, led by Emily Milburn. For the children and youth work continuing in the different partner churches of CTiP.

World Church - The Diocese of Iran – The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East

Bishop Rob – College of Bishops

Wednesday 18th September

MC - for our shared ministry to local care homes; the Dementia- friendly Friday Tea Service; lunch club run by Penrith Methodist church; Christians Against Poverty

Debt Centre; The Salvation army 'Nourish' project and associated foodbank work and for the Linking Lives befriending project

World Church - The Diocese of Irele Ese-Odo – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – College of Bishops

Thursday 19th September

Archbishop Theodore

Theodore of Tarsus arrived in 669 and was the first Archbishop recognised by all the churches of England. During his time, he organised the English church into dioceses, which still form the basis of our provincial and diocesan structures.

MC - for RESTORE and the ministry in the town centre shop; for the community growing around Worship Together at Christ Church; for Morgan Tebb-Roger and Beth Honey – leading in pioneering outreach work.

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

Bishop Rob – College of Bishops

Friday 20th September

MC - for wisdom and capacity to do the best things when there is so much that calls for time and energy

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

Saturday 21st September

St Matthew the Apostle

Levi was one of the disciples called by Jesus and as a tax collector the story of his conversion shows the love of God for even those hated by society. His gospel was supported by the church at Antioch at the Council of Laodicea and listed as one of the four canonical gospels. As a result Matthew is one of the Four Evangelists usually represented in icons by the ox.

MC - give thanks for sharing in social need outreach, please pray for growth in shared ministry of evangelism and discipleship in our mission community.

World Church - The Diocese of Isiala-Ngwa South – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Bishop Rob – celebration of the ordination of women service at the Cathedral

**Week Thirty Seven Theme – Workington MC
Sunday 22nd September – 17th Sunday after Trinity**

MC - we pray for the parishes of Seaton, St Michaels and St John's, Workington, Westfield, Harrington and Distington. May your Holy Spirit so guide the mission and ministry of your churches in accordance with your will, that your Kingdom may flourish in the Workington area.

God for All -- pray that we might care deeply, for the work of CTiC in many areas of social justice and giving

thanks for the Anna Chaplains and their work on behalf of those suffering from dementia

World Church - The Church of North India (United)

Bishop Rob – at St Mary's Westfield

Monday 23rd September

MC - we pray for Frankie and Peter as they retire and pray for the appointment of their successor at St Michael's and St John's. Strengthen by your Holy Spirit, all those who lead, to inspire and embolden their ministry in your name. We pray for interns Selena and Vivian as they begin their year of service in the Community and for Ruth as she begins her curacy.

World Church - The Diocese of Isikwuato / Umunneochi – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Tuesday 24th September

MC - we pray for Yvette as she leads Network Youth Church in the Solway Deanery, and we pray for all those whose teach and encourage the young people of our churches. We pray for the mission and outreach of our churches to the families in the communities that they serve.

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

Bishop Rob – meeting with representatives from Stavanger diocese in Norway

Wednesday 25th September

MC - we pray for the pastoral visiting teams in our churches, for those providing a warm welcome in cafés and lunch clubs, and those visiting care homes. We pray for our chaplains in hospitals, industry and sports clubs. May the loving care of all engaged in pastoral mission, draw others into faith in your boundless love.

World Church - The Diocese of Jabalpur – The Church of North India (United)

Thursday 26th September

Wilson Carlile

Wilson Carlile founded the Church Army who inspired a generation of evangelists. His goal was to establish a network of local evangelists working in the poorest areas.

MC - we pray for new opportunities to share in the life of your Kingdom, and we pray especially for the plans for fresh engagements with children and young people at Westfield and Harrington.

World Church - The Diocese of Jaffna – The Church of South India (United)

Bishop Rob – hosting a deanery supper in Kendal

Friday 27th September

St Vincent de Paul

Vincent de Paul was a seventeenth century French Roman Catholic priest who was well known for his care

of the poorest. In 1617 he founded a community to care for those in need. The Society of St Vincent de Paul was created following his death in 1660 which now works as a lay community in over 150 countries providing local practical help to those in need.

MC - we pray for the proposed engagement of a fundraiser that with their support we may be released from the constraints of a lack of finance and may be emboldened to open our eyes to a wider vision of your Kingdom in the area.

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

Saturday 28th September

MC – we pray for the proposed community café at Westfield, for the early discussion on the provision of dementia care at Harrington, and for the development of Youth Work across the mission community. May your churches be bold and faith-filled in pursuing your Kingdom vision.

World Church - The Diocese of Jamaica and The Cayman Islands – The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Week Thirty Eight Theme – Brampton MC Sunday 29th September – 18th Sunday after Trinity

St Michael and All Angels

Michaelmas is one of the four traditional quarter days and a time when we give thanks for the whole host of

heaven, God's kingdom and the gifts of the Spirit throughout creation.

MC – for the Anglican Churches of Brampton, Castle Carrock, Crosby on Eden, Cumrew, Cumwhitton, Farlam, Gilsland, Irthington, Lanercost, Nether Denton, Scaleby, Hayton, Talkin, and Walton and Methodist Churches of Brampton, Gilsland and Walton.

God for All - pray that we might learn to follow daily as the disciples of Jesus and make our personal prayer a priority everyday

World Church - The Church of Pakistan (United)

Bishop Rob – at Dufton with Knock Methodist Church Harvest Festival, Confirmation Service at St Anne's Haverthwaite and Evensong at St Michael and All Angels, Beetham

Monday 30th September

St Jerome

Jerome was born in modern Slovenia and was a scholar who converted to Christianity following a serious illness in Antioch. As a close friend of Bishop Paulinus of Antioch, he set about his life's work of translating into Latin the newly authorised canon of scripture. The Vulgate was completed in 405, just five years after the final canonical list of the Bible was agreed.

MC - for Tricia Rogers and Edward Johnsen. (Rector and Team Vicar) and Angela Hughes (House for Duty) Thanks for all the retired priest who give their time and support: Hazel Ditchburn, Malcolm Riches, Bishop Peter

Ramsden, Janice Murray, Elizabeth Gough, Averyl Bradbrook, and Annie Gray

World Church - The Diocese of Rio de Janeiro – Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Tuesday 1st October

MC - pray for the Network Youth minister Ruth Hutchinson and the work at The Green Door in Brampton

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

Bishop Rob - meeting with the High Sheriff of Cumbria and Cathedral Chapter Meeting

Wednesday 2nd October

MC - pray for the Food Share held in the Methodist Church on Fridays.

World Church - The Diocese of Jerusalem – The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East

Bishop Rob – leading a Quiet Day for Carlisle Deanery Chapter at Rydal Hall

Thursday 3rd October

MC - pray for confirmation candidates, adults and young people, from both the Three Rivers MC and the wider deanery, who are being prepared for confirmation in November.

World Church - The Diocese of San Joaquin – The Episcopal Church

Bishop Rob – Visit to Langdale CE Primary School

Friday 4th October

MC - for the whole of Brampton Deanery as we move forward to look at how we can work together and become a Deanery Mission Community. For removal of suspicion that hinders our growth.

World Church - The Diocese of Johannesburg – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

Saturday 5th October

MC - pray for all those who have just attended an Intercession workshop that they will have confidence to lead prayers in their Churches. For a Leading Worship course starting in October, that many will feel the call to find out the gifts God is giving them.

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

Bishop Rob – Eco Church Celebration Service at the Cathedral and hosting the Readers AGM and Tea in Kendal

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

Prayer for Peace in the Israel-Gaza conflict

O God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world.

Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel and Palestine.

We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin.

Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace.

In Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.