Cumbria Prayer Diary



NOVEMBER 2024

*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 Forty One Theme – Schools**

**Sunday 27th October – 22nd Sunday after Trinity**

*Schools:* for Dalton St Mary's CE School, Dean CE School, Dent CE School, Eaglesfield Paddle CE Academy

*World Church* - The Scottish Episcopal Church

*Bishop Rob* – Confirmation service at Kendal Parish Church

**Monday 28th October**

*Schools* – for Ennerdale and Kinniside CE School, Flookburgh CE School, Gilsland CE School, Gosforth CE School

*World Church -* The Diocese of North Karamoja – The Church of the Province of Uganda

**Tuesday 29th October**

*Schools* – for Grange CE School, Grasmere CE School, Grayrigg CE School, Hayton CE School

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

**Wednesday 30th October**

*Schools* – for High Hesket CE School, Holm Cultram Abbey CE School, Houghton CE School, Ireby CE School

*World Church -* The Diocese of Karnataka Central – The Church of South India (United)

**Thursday 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.

*Schools* – for Ireleth St Peters CE School, Ivegill CE School, Kirkbampton CE School, Kirkoswald CE School

*World Church* - The Diocese of Karnataka North – The Church of South India (United)

**Friday 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.

*Schools* – for Kirkland CE Academy, Lanercost CE School, Langdale CE School, Langwathby CE School

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

**Saturday 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.

*Schools* – for Lazonby CE School, Levens CE School, Leven Valley CE School, Lindale CE School

*World Church -* The Diocese of Karongi – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

**Week Forty Two Theme – Schools**

**Sunday 3rd November – 4th Sunday before Advent**

**Richard Hooker**

Hooker’s 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.

*Schools* – for Low Furness CE School, Maryport CE Primary School, Montreal CE School, Morland Area CE School

*World Church -* Church of the Province of SE Asia Asia

**Monday 4th November**

*Schools* – for Old Hutton CE School, Orton CE School, Patterdale CE School, Pennington CE School

*World Church -* The Diocese of Kasai – Mbujimayi – Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

*Bishop Rob* – BLT meeting and Bishop’s Council

**Tuesday 5th November**

*Schools* – for Penny Bridge CE Academy, Plumbland CE School, Raughton Head CE School, Rockcliffe CE School

*World Church -* The Diocese of Katakwa – The Anglican Church of Kenya

*Bishop Rob* – visit to Gilsland and Wreay Schools and the licensing of Lawrence Basham in Grasmere

**Wednesday 6th November**

*Schools –* for Rosley CE School, Scotby CE School, Seaton St Paul's CE School, Selside Endowed CE School

*World Church -* The Diocese of Katanga – Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

*Bishop Rob –* Steering Committee

**Thursday 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.

*Schools* – for Shankhill CE School, Shap CE School, St Bega's CE School, Eskdale, St Bridget's CE School, Brigham

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

**Friday 8th November**

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

*Schools* – for St Bridget's CE School, Parton, St George's CE School, Barrow, St Herbert's CE School, St James CE Infant School, Whitehaven

**Saturday 9th November**

*Schools* – for St James CE Junior School, Barrow, St James CE Junior, Whitehaven, St Mark's CE School, Natland, St Martin & St Mary CE School

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kentucky – The Episcopal Church

**Week Forty-Three Theme – Interfaith Week**

**Sunday 10th November – Remembrance Sunday**

**3rd Sunday before Advent**

**St Leo the Great**

He was [Bishop of Rome](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/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.

*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.

*World Church* - The Church of South India (United)

**Monday 11th November – Armistice Day**

**St Martin of Tours**

The fourth century solider 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.

*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.

*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.

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

**Tuesday 12th November**

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

*World Church -* The Diocese of Kericho – The Anglican Church of Kenya

*Bishop Rob* – BLT Pastoral Meeting

**Wednesday 13th November**

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

*World Church* - The Diocese of Khahlamba – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

**Thursday 14th November**

*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 Khartoum – Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

*Bishop Rob* – leading Chapter Day for Appleby deanery at Rydal Hall and hosting the BLT, Dean and Lay Chairs’ supper in Kendal

**Friday 15th November**

*Interfaith –* we pray for all interfaith events being held this weekend and we give thanks for different people coming together.

*World Church -* The Diocese of Kibondo – The Anglican Church of Tanzania

**Saturday 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 –* for the Inter Faith buddy scheme enabling deeper understanding of other beliefs and engagement in supportive discussion

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kibungo – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

**Week Forty-Four Theme – Peace**

**Sunday 17th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent**

**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.

*Peace* – as we remember the promise of God’s Kingdom in the coming of Jesus, we pray for peace in our world and an end to 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 Anglican Church of Southern Africa

*Bishop Rob* – Reader licensing service at the Cathedral

**Monday 18th 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 Kigali – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

*Bishop Rob* – visit to Broughton in Furness CE Primary School

**Tuesday 19th November**

*Peace –* we pray for peace in the Middle East

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kigeme – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

*Bishop Rob* – service of dedication at St James Church, Buttermere Church

**Wednesday 20th November**

*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 Kigezi – The Church of the Province of Uganda

**Thursday 21st November**

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

*World Church* - The Diocese of North Kigezi – The Church of the Province of Uganda

*Bishop Rob* – meeting with the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Moderator of the Church of Scotland

**Friday 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 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 Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh – The Church of Ireland

**Saturday 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 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 Kimberley and Kuruman – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

**Week Forty-Five Theme – Schools**

**Sunday 24th November – Christ the King**

**Sunday before Advent**

*Schools –* for St Mary's CE School, Kirkby Lonsdale, St Matthews CE School, Westnewton, St Michael's CE School, Bothel, St Michael's CE School, Dalston

*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 Anglican Church of South America

*Bishop Rob* – at St Mary’s Dalton in Furness, confirmation service at St Anne’s Thwaites and Confirmation at St Mark’s Barrow

**Monday 25th November**

*Schools* - St Oswald's CE School, Burneside, St Patrick's CE School, Endmoor, St Paul's CE Junior School, Barrow

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kindu – Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

*Bishop Rob* – BLT meeting

**Tuesday 26th November**

*Schools* - St Thomas' CE School, Kendal,

Stainton CE School, Staveley CE School

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kinkiizi – The Church of the Province of Uganda

**Wednesday 27th November**

*Schools* - Staveley CE School, Temple Sowerby CE School, Threlkeld CE School,

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kinshasa – Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

**Thursday 28th November**

*Schools* - Trinity CE Academy, Vicarage Park CE School, Kendal, Waberthwaite CE School

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kirinyaga – The Anglican Church of Kenya

*Bishop Rob* – Archbishop of York’s Northern Province Advent Retreat

**Friday 29th November**

*Schools* - Walton & Lees Hill CE School, Warcop CE School

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kisangani – Province de L’Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

*Bishop Rob* – Archbishop of York’s Northern Province Advent Retreat

**Saturday 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.

*Schools* - Wiggonby CE School, Wreay CE School

*World Church* - The Diocese of Kita-Kanto – The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

*Bishop Rob –* Mothers’ Union Triennium Service at the Cathedral

**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.