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Prayer Diary August 2026

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Weekly Theme

Feast, Festival & Holy
Days

World Church



Feast, Festival & Holy Day Prayers for August 2026

5 August - Oswald, King of Northumbria, Martyr, 642

Lord God almighty, who so kindled the faith of King Oswald with your Spirit that he set up the sign of the cross in his kingdom and turned his people to the light of Christ: grant that we, being fired by the same Spirit, may always bear our cross before the world and be found faithful servants of the gospel. Amen.

6 August - Feast of the Transfiguration

Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

9 August - Mary Sumner, Founder of the Mothers' Union

Faithful and loving God, who called Mary Sumner to strive for the renewal of family life: give us the gift of your Holy Spirit, that through word, prayer and deed your family may be strengthened and your people served; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

11 August - Clare of Assisi, Founder of the Minoresses (Poor Clares), 1253

God of peace, who in the poverty of the blessed Clare gave us a clear light to shine in the darkness of this world: give us grace so to follow in her footsteps that we may, at the last, rejoice with her in your eternal glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen.

15 August - The Blessed Virgin Mary

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

20 August - William and Catherine Booth, Founders of the Salvation Army

We give thanks today for the lives of William and Catherine Booth, their example of service in the desire to see spiritual and social transformation. We give thanks for our sisters and brothers of the Salvation Army in Cumbria and pray for them today as they seek to share that same transformation in God's love in the communities in which they serve. Amen.

24 August - Bartholomew, the Apostle

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

28 August - St Augustine of Hippo, Bishop of Hippo, Teacher of the Faith, 430

Merciful Lord, who turned Augustine from his sins to be a faithful bishop and teacher: grant that we may follow him in penitence and discipline till our restless hearts find their rest in you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

31 August - Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 651

Everlasting God, you sent the gentle bishop Aidan to proclaim the gospel in this land: grant us to live as he taught in simplicity, humility and love for the poor; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

3 September - Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 604

Merciful Father, who chose your bishop Gregory to be a servant of the servants of God: grant that, like him, we may ever long to serve you by proclaiming your gospel to the nations, and may ever rejoice to sing your praises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

August 2 – 8

**Anna
Chaplaincy**

Sunday 2 August – 9th Sunday after Trinity

Our prayers this week come from Samantha Pester, Anna Chaplain Lead for Cumbria. Loving and gracious God, we thank you the ministry of Anna Chaplaincy as it seeks to offer spiritual support and care for those in later life. We pray for Samantha as she leads the work in Cumbria, and supports many across our diocese in their ministry to older people.
www.annachaplaincy.org.uk

We give thanks today as St Mary's Threlkeld celebrates its 250th Anniversary. We pray for Bishop Rob as he joins with all those who will gather to worship this morning, giving thanks and praise for your faithfulness.

Mon 3

Compassionate God, we pray for all those who Anna Chaplaincy works with across Cumbria, for the healing many older people discover with an Anna Chaplain or Anna Friend going to see them.

Thur 6

We pray today for Bishop Rob and for all those gathering at the Satellites Young People's Gathering at Bath and Wells Showground. May the day be inspiring and hopeful as many gather to worship you.

Tues 4

Faithful God, we give you great thanks for all those who have heard your call to serve as an Anna Chaplain or Friend across the county. We ask that you would continue to inspire them in their ministry with faithfulness and love.

Fri 7

Gracious God, we give thanks for the new Anna Chaplaincy project in doctor's surgeries meeting and listening to the elderly in palliative care. We pray that more will feel called to get involved and serve in this way.

Wed 5

Loving God, we pray for all of our Anna Chaplains and Friends across the county and their dedicated work. We ask that more people would be called into the ministry of Anna Chaplaincy as we seek to serve you in this way across Cumbria.

Sat 8

Loving God, we thank you for all those who minister in Anna Chaplaincy, today we pray for Chair Paul Burden and Lead, Samantha and all those they support. With funding coming to an end in December, we pray that new funding will be found to continue this ministry so that many more will discover God's love and care.

Sun 2 The Church of the Province of Uganda

Mon 3 Diocese of Saint Asaph, Church in Wales

Tues 4 Diocese of Athabasca, Anglican Church of Canada

Wed 5 Diocese of Atlanta, The Episcopal Church.

Thurs 6 Diocese of Attooch, the Episcopal Church of S. Sudan

Fri 7 Diocese of Auckland, Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia

Sat 8 Diocese of NW Australia, Anglican Church of Australia

August 9 – 15

Central Lakes Mission Community

Sunday 9 August – 10th Sunday after Trinity

Loving and gracious God, we thank you for the Central Lakes Mission Community and its mission and ministry. We pray for the churches and communities in the Ambleside, Grasmere, Rydal and Hawkshead area.

We pray today for our ecumenical partners and our link dioceses in Northern Argentina, Stavanger and Zululand, giving thanks for the fellowship we share. Draw your Church ever closer together in your love.
Amen.

Mon 10

Loving God we give thanks and pray for all lay and ordained leaders across the Central Lakes Mission Community. We give thanks for our full time clergy Rev Lawrence Basham, Rev Andy Smith and Rev John Dixon.

Thurs 13

Holy God, as we seek to explore new ways of being church across the Central Lakes Mission Community, we thank you for Sacred Encounters at Rydal Hall. We give thanks for this monthly gathering which immersed in nature seeks to give thanks, celebrate and reflect on the sacred in community.

Tues 11

Faithful God, we give thanks and pray for the many opportunities we have to minister to children and young people in our schools across the Central Lakes Mission Community. We thank you for the new appointment of a Youth and Children's Worker at Ambleside and pray for them as they seek to work with others to share your good news.

Fri 14

Loving God, we pray for the mission and ministry of the Central Lakes Mission Community and the challenges it faces with buildings, financial concerns and declining population numbers. Faithful God we ask that you would help us to discern together how we navigate these challenges as we seek to continue to share your good news on into the future.

Wed 12

Compassionate God, we give thanks and pray for the ways in which we offer pastoral care and support across the Central Lakes Mission Community, praying especially for Monday Meet up in Ambleside, Wednesday Club and our involvement in Community Transport in Hawkshead.

Sat 15

Loving God, we give you great thanks in the way you bless us with gifts and talents to share with others and praise you. We pray for development of the Mission Community Choir and ask that you would bless this new initiative.

Sun 9 The Episcopal Church

Mon 10 Diocese of Aweil, Province of Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Tues 11 Diocese of Aweril, Province of Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Wed 12 Diocese of Awgu / Aninri, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Thurs 13 Diocese of Awka, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Fri 14 Diocese of Awori, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Sat 15 Diocese of Ayod, Province of Episcopal Church of South Sudan

August 16 – 22

Lunesdale & Endmoor Mission Community

Sunday 16 August – 11th Sunday after Trinity

Loving and gracious God, we thank you for the Lunesdale and Endmoor Mission Community and its mission and ministry. We pray for all those who work hard to offer a faithful Christian presence in their community, and pray for encouragement and resourcing as they continue to work together to share your love across the area.

Mon 17

Faithful God, we pray for the joint Lunesdale and Endmoor Mission Community Leadership Team and all those in the Methodist and Anglican churches who provide leadership, support and facilitate worship. Loving God, we ask for discernment as we seek to appoint a new Rector, and pray that someone will hear your call and the position will be filled soon.

Thurs 20

Faithful God we thank you for the new ways in which we are discovering you across the mission community, for Wild Swimming, Foresty and Craft Days. We pray that the energy and enthusiasm will continue for all those involved.

Tues 18

Loving God, we give thanks and pray for Messy Church, See & Know, Sunday Club, the re-launch of Drop-In at one of our primary schools in September, and all the on going schools work across the Lunesdale & Endmoor Mission Community. We pray too for our uniformed groups which meet in our area.

Fri 21

Faithful God, as we continue to share your love across the Lunesdale & Endmoor Mission Community we ask that you would meet us in our challenges especially in the financial stability of our churches. We pray especially for those who are weary and struggling with the burden of maintaining buildings.

Wed 19

Compassionate God, we thank you for the Pastoral Team in the Lunesdale & Endmoor Mission Community as they provide care and support for Meet to Eat in Endmoor, for the Kirkby Lonsdale Community Cupboard and Hub, and for Monday Meals.

Sat 22

Loving God, as we look to the future of our mission and ministry, we give you great thanks for the National Lottery Heritage Funding Development Grant awarded to St Mary's in Kirkby Lonsdale, and for the team who manage the project. We also pray for the introduction of discipleship for our new forms of church and for small groups to form.

Sun 16 Church in Wales

Mon 17 Diocese of Badagry, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Tues 18 Diocese of Bahamas, The Turks & Caicos Islands, Church in the Province of the West Indies

Wed 19 Diocese of Ballarat, Anglican Church of Australia

Thurs 20 Diocese of Bangor, the Church in Wales

Fri 21 Diocese of Banks and Torres, Anglican Church of Melanesia

Sat 22 Diocese of Barbados, Church in the Province of the West Indies

August 23 – 29

Diocesan Vision

Sunday 23 August – 12th Sunday after Trinity

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

Mon 24

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ, Amen.

Thurs 27

we pray for the God for All vision, that we may inspire and encourage one another to have the confidence to share our faith in Jesus in everyday ways with all people.

Tues 25

We pray for our God for All vision that we would inspire and encourage one another to follow Jesus our Good Shepherd more closely, and live lives that reflect his grace, mercy and peace.

Fri 28

Merciful Lord, who turned Augustine from his sins to be a faithful bishop and teacher: grant that we may follow him in penitence and discipline till our restless hearts find their rest in you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Wed 26

Gracious God, we give thanks for holidays club happening across the Diocese this summer and pray today for St Peter's Kingmoor Holiday Club visit and Bishop Michael as he visits. May there be much joy, fun and celebration as all those who gather learn more of your love.

Fri 29

We pray for our God for All vision that we would care deeply as your Church, listening to our communities, and ready to serve them courageously and challenge injustice. May we be ready always to tread gently as faithful stewards of your goodness.

Sun 23 The Church of the Province of West Africa

Mon 24 Diocese of Bari, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Tues 25 Diocese of Baringo, Anglican Church of Kenya

Wed 26 Diocese of Barisal, Church of Bangladesh

Thurs 27 Diocese of Barrackpore Church of North India (United)

Fri 28 Diocese of Bath and Wells, Church of England

Sat 29 Diocese of Bathurst, Anglican Church of Australia

August 30 – Sept 5

New Term

Sunday 30 August – 13th Sunday after Trinity

Gracious God, we thank you for the summer months and opportunities that many of us will have had to find rest and refreshment. We pray for those for whom summer has been busy or difficult, and ask that as the seasons change, you remind us that you do not, and you are with us whatever we face. As a new term or season beckons, we thank you God for your faithfulness and presence with us.

We pray for Bishop Michael as he preaches at St James, Hutton in the Forest and for all those gathering to worship today.

Mon 31

Everlasting God, you sent the gentle bishop Aidan to proclaim the gospel in this land: grant us to live as he taught in simplicity, humility and love for the poor; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

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Tues 1

Compassionate God, as schools prepare to start a new term, we pray for all those who received exams results this summer. We pray for those who will be starting a new job or apprenticeship, beginning sixth form or starting further education. We pray for those for whom plans have changed or are unclear, be close as next steps are discerned and the way ahead unfolds.

Fri 4

Loving God, we pray for students preparing to start a new term especially those starting a new school. We thank you for those opportunities as churches we have to support young people at this time through holiday clubs, blessing of the backpack services, chaplaincy roles and schools work.

Wed 2

Faithful God, as staff and students begin to gather for a new term across our schools, colleges and universities we pray for teachers, and all those who work hard to support children's learning and development. We pray too for members of staff who support this work in many different roles across our learning communities.

Sat 5

Loving God, we pray for those for whom it is not a new term but who long for a fresh start. We pray for those in a difficult season, as we notice the season changing from summer to autumn. We pray that as your Church here in Cumbria we would discern how to support and care for all those we serve across our communities and share your love in times of change and uncertainty.

Sun 30 The Church in the Province of the West Indies

Mon 31 Diocese of Bauchi, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Tues 1 Diocese of Belize, Church in the Province of the West Indies

Wed 2 Diocese of Bendigo, Anglican Church of Australia

Thurs 3 Diocese of Beni, Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo

Fri 4 Diocese of Benin, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Sat 5 Diocese of Bentiu, Province of the the Episcopal Church of South Sudan



Vision Prayer

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