



Prayer Diary October 2026

KEY:

Weekly Theme

Feast, Festival & Holy
Days

World Church



Feast, Festival & Holy Day Prayers for October 2026

4 October - Francis of Assisi

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

6 October - William Tyndale

Lord, give to your people grace to hear and keep your word that, after the example of your servant William Tyndale, we may not only profess your gospel but also be ready to suffer and die for it, to the honour of your name; 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

10 October - Paulinus, Bishop, Missionary 644

God our Saviour, who sent Paulinus to preach and to baptize, and so to build up your Church in this land: grant that, inspired by his example, we may tell all the world of your truth, that with him we may receive the reward you prepare for all your faithful servants; 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

13 October - Edward the Confessor, 1066

Sovereign God, who set your servant Edward upon the throne of an earthly kingdom and inspired him with zeal for the kingdom of heaven: grant that we may so confess the faith of Christ by word and deed, that we may, with all your saints, inherit your eternal glory; 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

15 October - Teresa of Avila

Merciful God, who by your Spirit raised up your servant Teresa of Avila to reveal to your Church the way of perfection: grant that her teaching may awaken in us a longing for holiness, until we attain to the perfect union of love in 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

18 October - Luke the Evangelist

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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.

19 October- Henry Martyn

Almighty God, who by your Holy Spirit gave Henry Martyn a longing to tell the good news of Christ and skill to translate the Scriptures: by the same Spirit give us grace to offer you our gifts, wherever you may lead, at whatever the cost; 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 October - Simon and Jude

Almighty God, who built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone: so join us together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to 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.

31 October - Martin Luther

O God, our refuge and our strength, who raised up your servant Martin Luther to reform and renew your church in the light of your word: Defend and purify the church in our own day and grant that, through faith, we may boldly proclaim the riches of your grace, which you have made known in Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

October 4 – 11

Carlisle South Mission Community

Sunday 4 October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

Loving and gracious God, we thank you for the Carlisle South Mission Community, and its mission and ministry. We pray for the churches and communities of St Herbert's with St Stephen's, Currock, St Elisabeth's, Harraby, St John the Baptist's, Upperby and Upperby Methodist Church

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.

We pray for our **ecumenical partners** and our **link dioceses in Northern Argentina, Stavanger & Zululand**.

Mon 5

Loving God, we give you thanks for Revd Canon Edward Johnsen, Revd Nigel Rodgers, Mrs Brenda Gear (Reader) and Mr Ian Gundon (Reader) and pray for your blessing on their ministry across the mission community. We pray for Bishop Rob and Bishop Michael and the Bishop's Leadership Team on their residential meeting today until Wednesday.

Thur 8

Loving God, we pray for our plans for more informal gatherings for worship as part of the Revitalisation initiative across the Carlisle South Mission Community. We pray for Bishop Rob today as he speaks at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford and for Bishop Michael and the Diocesan Board of Education Forum meeting today and tomorrow.

Tues 6

Faithful God, we thank you and pray for our collaboration with the 123rd Scouts at St Herbert's, and our engagement with our local schools, especially our Church School, Bishop Harvey Goodwin. We ask these may be fruitful and flourish.

Fri 9

Gracious God, we thank you for all those who serve you across our mission community in Carlisle South and ask that we may see more and more growth in lay ministry across the area.

Wed 7

Loving God, we thank you for the ways in which we offer pastoral care across our mission community. We pray for our Midweek groups: T-Cozy; Thursday Craft Group; Mothers Union, and our visits to Riverwell Beck and Pennine Lodge Care Homes, and our link with the Hospice.

Sat 10

Faithful God, we thank you and pray for our Associate Priest, Revd Louise Bryson, who is to begin ministry in the Mission Community in October. We ask for for your blessing upon this new season for Louise's ministry.

Sun 4 Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Mon 5 Diocese of Bukuru, Church of Nigeria (AC)

Tues 6 Diocese of Bunbury, Anglican Church of Australia

Wed 7 Diocese of Bungoma, Anglican Church of Kenya

Thurs 8 Diocese of Bunyoro-Kitara, Church of the Province Of Uganda

Fri 9 Diocese of Busan, Anglican Church of Korea

Sat 10 Diocese of Busoga, Church of the Province of Uganda

October 11 – 17

East of Eden Mission Community

Sunday 11 October – 19th Sunday after Trinity

Loving God, Loving and gracious God, we thank you for the East of Eden Mission Community, and its mission and ministry. We pray for the 12 churches and 4 chapels which make up our mission community in the Eden Valley and Fellside.

We give thanks and pray for Bishop Rob and all those gathering for the Family service at St John's Houghton, and for the licensing of Francis Moloney at St Aidan's today. We pray for the communities and churches represented as they gather to worship today.

Mon 12

Loving God, we thank you and pray for our East of Eden Mission Community Co-leaders Rev Ros Watson (Methodist) and Rev Becky Richards (Anglican), for Local Preachers, Readers and Worship Leaders. We pray for Bishop Michael and all those today gathering for the Whitehaven Chapel and Multi-Faith Space Re-dedication at West Cumberland Hospital.

Thurs 15

Holy God, we pray for the Spirit to guide us and keep us open to new possibilities of being church across the East of Eden mission community. .

Tues 13

Faithful God, we thank you and pray for T-break; the after-school club at Lazonby church, the Youth Club in Kirkoswald chapel, Little Acorns at Gamblesby and the Open the Book team which visits our schools. We pray for Louise Bryson being licensed at St Herbert's, Carlisle by Bishop Rob, and for Bishop Michael as he joins the NW Office Staff Day.

Fri 16

Loving God, Pray for unity, healing and grace as we work through some recent difficulties and move forward with hope.

Wed 14

Compassionate God, we pray for our ministry in Eden Court Nursing Home, Lazonby, for Oasis and Meeting Point at Langwathby chapel and other gatherings for coffee and chat across our villages. We pray for Christina Brentnall being licensed by Bishop Michael at All Saints, Cockermouth today.

Sat 17

Loving God, we pray especially that we may strengthen the prayer life of our Mission Community. We pray for for Bishop Rob and Bishop Michael and Diocesan Synod which meets today.

Sun 11 Anglican Church of Burundi

Mon 12 Diocese of Central Busoga, Church of the Province of

Tues 13 Diocese of Butare, Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

Wed 14 Diocese of Butere, Anglican Church of Kenya

Thurs 15 Diocese of Buye, Anglican Church of Burundi

Fri 16 Diocese of Byumba, Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

Sat 17 Diocese of Calabar, Church of Nigeria (AC)

October 18 – 24

Calder Deanery

Sunday 18 October – 20th Sunday after Trinity

Loving and gracious God, we thank you for Calder Deanery, and its mission and ministry. We pray for the churches that they may remain alert and alive to the prayers of their people, the needs of our communities and the voice of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

We pray for Bishop Rob and all those gathering today for the Harvest Festival at St Mary Magdelene, Hayton and the Cumbria Cursillo service at Rydal Hall. We pray for all those being confirmed at St Leonard's, Cleator by Bishop Michael, and for the communities and churches represented.

Mon 19

Faithful God, we pray for those bearing the weight of leadership may discover support and insight in prayer and fellowship with those they serve and lead. We pray for Bishop Michael and all those gathering at the RE and Collective Worship Conference, and for both Bishop Rob and Bishop Michael and the Projects and Programmes Board meeting today.

Thurs 22

Faithful God, we pray for fresh expressions or new ways of being church, may all be open to what seems new and grow in faith and understanding.

Tues 20

Loving God, as we pray for our mission with children and young people across our deanery, may we all welcome the children of God as did Our Lord, and allow nothing to hinder that access the Christs Love. We pray for Bishop Michael and all those meeting together at Kendal Deanery Synod.

Fri 23

Loving God, we pray for all who cannot hear the cry of the poor, the plight of the broken hearted and those rejected by society.

Wed 21

Compassionate God, thank you for our pastoral mission across the Calder deanery, may all sharing this work discover anew the ministry of compassion and care and the joy of hospitality of the heart. We pray for Bishop Rob & all those at the Norwegian Mission Society Network Gathering in Lyon beginning today, and for Bishop Michael at the NW Bishops meeting in Salford.

Sat 24

Loving God, To see every day and indeed moment as a time of opportunity when the Lord may speak and lead us into a deeper understanding of his love. We pray for Bishop Michael and all those attending the Ladies Refresh Day today.

Sun 18 Anglican Church of Australia

Mon 19 Diocese of Botswana, Church of Province of C. Africa

Tues 20 Diocese of Brandon, Anglican Church of Canada

Wed 21 Diocese of Brechin, Scottish Episcopal Church

Thurs 22 Diocese of Brisbane, Anglican Church of Australia

Fri 23 Diocese of Bristol, Church of England

Sat 24 Diocese of British Columbia, Anglican Church of Canada

October 25 – 31

Churches Together in Penrith

Sunday 25 October – Last after Trinity

Loving and gracious God, we thank you for Churches Together in Penrith, and its mission and ministry; For our shared worship, outreach and service to the community of Penrith; that our different traditions will be a blessing to our community.

We pray for Bishop Michael and all those gathering at Firepit, Barrow-in-Furness to worship, pray and encourage.

Mon 26

Loving God, We thank you for the different ministers across the town; giving thanks for the monthly prayer gatherings and ask for the growth of deeper mutual support and fellowship.

Thurs 29

Loving God, we pray for the community groups meeting at RESTORE Penrith and for the continuing links between children's activities and the worshipping life of the church.

Tues 27

Faithful God, we pray for Emily Higbee and the team running the Penrith NYC, and give thanks for the growing links between the Parents & Toddlers group and the Worship Together initiative at Christ Church, Penrith.

Fri 30

Compassionate God, we pray for those who feel overwhelmed by the work required to keep things going; that we might identify and make good use of everyone's gifts and skills.

Wed 28

Compassionate God, we pray for our local nursing, residential and retirement homes and those who visit. We pray for the continuing care and support offered through the Penrith Tea Service – providing fellowship, worship and support especially for elderly members of the local church.

Sat 31

Faithful God, we pray for our discussions regarding the possibility of starting a children's choir outreach project. Give us your wisdom in our discernment.

Sun 25 The Church of the Province of Central Africa

Mon 26 Diocese of El Camino Real - The Episcopal Church

Tues 27 Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn, Anglican Church of Australia

Wed 28 Diocese of Canterbury, Church of England

Thurs 29 Diocese of Cape Coast, Church of the Province of West Africa

Fri 30 Diocese of Cape Town, Anglican Church of S. Africa

Sat 31 Diocese of North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba, Church of the Province of the West Indies



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