

Cycle of Prayer May 2018

**Pray for all at school and college in this new term,
especially those preparing for examinations.**

We focus on Christian Aid - 13 - 19 May 2018
the week we love our neighbour

Throughout Christian Aid Week, please:

thank God for the difference Christian Aid Week makes for the lives of many of the world's poorest people
thank God for the witness Christian Aid Week demonstrates in your community and around the country
ask God to bless all who give their time, talents and money this Christian Aid Week
ask God to bless the money raised, that it will bring transformation around the world.

O God, you promise a world where those who now weep shall laugh,
those who are hungry shall feast, those who are poor now, and excluded,
shall have your kingdom for their own. May your kingdom come
(Prayers from Christian Aid website)

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| <p>Tuesday 1 <i>Philip and James, Apostles</i></p> | <p>North East Derbyshire Deanery as it seeks to learn and listen to God in working together to share his love. Area Dean Karen Hamblin and Lay Chair Nigel Swann, Christine Holmes-Elener; Deanery Administrator Jo Crawshaw-Moore.</p> |
| <p>Wednesday 2</p> | <p>St Paul Hasland and St James, Temple Normanton churches; during the vacancy. Reader Stephen Wright, Wardens Stuart Bailey, Murial Haslam, Barbara Marshall, PCC and congregations. Pray for all those who will support this parish during the vacancy.</p> |
| <p>Thursday 3</p> | <p>In the parish of St Lawrence, Great Barlow. Clergy: Peter Green; David Mouncer, Janet Quick, Wardens Julie Ferreday and Peter Gouldthorpe, PCC and congregation.</p> |
| <p>Friday 4</p> | <p>In the parish of Old Brampton St Peter and St Paul. Clergy: Peter Green; David Mouncer, Janet Quick, Reader Rhoda Blackwell, Wardens Elizabeth Farrow, Lynne Dawson, PCC and congregation.</p> |
| <p>Saturday 5</p> | <p>Loundsley Green LEP Clergy: Peter Green, Diane Hare (Methodist), Tracy Harris(Methodist); David Mouncer, Janet Quick; Reader George Lewis, Wardens David Riley and Jocelyn Lewis, PCC and congregation.</p> |
| <p>Sunday 6 <i>Easter 6</i></p> | <p>Prayer for the Red Cross at the beginning of its appeal week as it provides support to vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers</p> <p>Prayer for Migrants, Refugees and Asylum Seekers <i>God, no one is stranger to you And no one is ever far from your loving care. In your kindness watch over migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, Those separated from their loved ones, Those who are lost And those who have been exiled from their homes. Bring them safely to the place where they long to be, And help us always to show your kindness to strangers And those in need. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Who too was a refugee and migrant Who travelled to another land searching for a home. Amen</i> <i>[Nouwen Network]</i></p> |

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| Monday 7 | The parish of St Mark Brampton, Clergy: Karen Hamblin, Pioneer Minister Captain Tim Rouke; Julie Lomas. Pioneer curate Hilary Moore; Reader David Holmes, Wardens Louise Richards and David Holmes, PCC and congregation |
| Tuesday 8 <i>Julian of Norwich</i> | The parish of St Thomas, Brampton; Clergy Matt Barnes, William Bazely, Alison Cox; David Owens (also Director of Mission & Evangelism) Readers Dee Hampton, Tim Wheeler, Robin Dawson, Bill Galloway, Erica Clegg, Ray Hearne; Wardens Mark Hoare, Philip Bird. Children's worker Emily Stockton; Youth worker Abbie Hall, PCC and congregation |
| Wednesday 9 | The parish of St Peter, Holymoorside; Clergy William Bazely; Matt Barnes; Reader Tim Wheeler, Warden Maxine Rotherham, PCC and congregation |
| Thursday 10 <i>Ascension Day</i> | <p>The parish of St Mary & All Saints Chesterfield, Clergy: Patrick Coleman Reader J Gascoyne; Wardens Colin McKenna, Malcolm Wilkinson, PCC and congregation. We also pray for the teams of Vergers, Welcomers, Administrators and Friends of the church, who serve both church and community as the Parish Church of Chesterfield, and St Leonards Spital.</p> <p>Pray for the Archbishops' global prayer movement, 'Thy Kingdom Come', that it will help us and those with whom we worship to pray that people we know might know Jesus</p> <p><i>Come Almighty God, your ascended Son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of your kingdom: inspire us with your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of your love, that all who hear your word may be drawn to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord</i></p> |
| Friday 11 | In a United Benefice, St Peters Calow and St Mary Sutton-cum-Duckmanton; Clergy: Kevin Ball, Warden Andrew Cotton and Janet Bradshaw, PCC and congregation. |
| Saturday 12 | Ss Augustine, Chesterfield; Clergy: Karen Hamblin, Tim Rourke, Hilary Moore. Reader David Holmes, Warden Philip Sparrow. PCC and congregation |
| Sunday 13 <i>Start of Christian Aid Week</i> | <p><i>Troubled for those in Syria, still enduring the suffering of war. Troubled for those in Afghanistan, enduring the trauma of torture. Troubled for those in Yemen, enduring famine and conflict. Troubled for those in South Sudan, enduring displacement once again. Troubled for those in Haiti, having to rebuild their lives and hopes. Troubled for those in Bangladesh, living in fear of the river rising. Troubled for those in Greece, stuck in the trauma of refugee camps. And with our troubled hearts we turn to you, believing in you and in your promise that if we ask for anything, you will do it. We ask that those dwelling places, those many rooms you spoke of, would not just be for the few, then, but also for the many, here and now. We still believe in life before death and so we pray for life abundant for those who have been refused hospitality by those who have many rooms. Help us to change the story from rejection to refuge, from displacement to a safe place to call home, for all, this Christian Aid Week. So help us God,</i></p> |
| Monday 14 <i>Matthias the Apostle</i> | <p>In a United benefice Holy Trinity and Christ Church, Chesterfield; Clergy: David Horsfall; Reader John Thurstan, Wardens Ivor Leigh and Audrey Musson, PCC and congregations.</p> <p><i>Let all your children eat their fill and praise your name through this Christian Aid week</i></p> |
| Tuesday 15 | <p>In a United benefice in the parish of St Giles, Killamarsh; Clergy: Helen Guest, Michael Guest; Readers Christine Beach, John Hall, Wardens Ann Ward and E. M. Hall, Ben Wheelhouse, PCC and congregation. And the parish of St Matthew Renishaw Clergy: Michael Guest, Helen Guest, Readers Christine Beach, Warden Anne Morton, PCC and congregation</p> <p><i>Let struggles be ended and justice be done. Accomplish your purpose this Christian Aid week</i></p> |
| Wednesday 16 | St John Walton; Clergy: Nick Green, Royston Smith; Readers Ann Conroy and Sara Brown, Wardens Ian Macleod, Marje Shaw, PCC and congregation |

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| <p>Thursday 17</p> | <p>In the Staveley and Barrow Hill Team Ministry, the parishes of St John the Baptist Staveley, St Andrews Barrow Hill and St Columba Inkersall. Clergy: Adrian Arnold, Stephen Jones, Wardens John Sedgwick, Helen Johnson, Margaret Wells, Ruth Sedgwick, PCC and congregations</p> <p><i>Make us servants of your justice through this Christian Aid week</i></p> |
| <p>Friday 18</p> | <p>The Parish of St John the Evangelist, Newbold. Clergy: Ben Griffiths, Reader Heather Peet, Wardens Julie Franks and Richard Peet, Administrator Steve Franks, PCC and congregation</p> <p><i>Lord God Almighty, forgive your church its wealth among the poor, its fear among the unjust, its cowardice among the oppressed.</i></p> |
| <p>Saturday 19</p> | <p>All Saints Wingerworth; Clergy: Jonathan Poston, Reader Trevor Burch, Kay Duckett. Wardens Janet Magson and Carol Austin, PCC and congregation</p> <p><i>As Christian Aid Week ends: Let us pray for grateful hearts for sympathetic hearts, for generous hearts, and wills quick to help and persistent in effort. That our nation and government may give generously for relief of refugees and be ready to help them find new homes and new homelands. That all nations may live free from fear and free from want. Amen.</i></p> |
| <p>Sunday 20 <i>Pentecost</i></p> | <p>In the parish of St Bartholomew, Whittington; Clergy: Jo Morris, Warden Kate Pollard, PCC and congregation</p> <p>Pentecost <i>The Spirit came and your Church was born, in wind and fire and words of power.</i> <i>The Spirit came blowing fear aside, and in its place weak hearts were stronger.</i> <i>The Spirit came as your word foretold, with dreams and signs, visions and wonders.</i> <i>The Spirit came and is here today, to feed the hearts of a world that hungers.</i> <i>(www.faithandworship.com)</i></p> <p><i>Pour out your Spirit, as you promised, on all humanity; let daughters and sons prophesy, the old dream dreams the young see visions, and all who have been enslaved break free, to proclaim your goodness.</i></p> <p><i>Draw your Church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving him in his mission to the world, and together witnessing to his love on every continent and island. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Lord. Amen.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are invited to pray as part of the Archbishops' call 'Thy Kingdom Come' • that those for whom we pray may come to know and love Jesus; that we as his disciples will be given new confidence and encouragement by the Holy Spirit; • that we may be made effective witnesses to Jesus |
| <p>Monday 21</p> | <p>In a United Benefice the parish of St John the Baptist Dethick Clergy: Mark Crowther-Alwyn; PCC and the congregation</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 22 <i>St Patrick</i></p> | <p>In a United benefice the parish of St John the Baptist Clowne; Clergy: newly appointed Rector Bryony Taylor, Warden Neil Yewman and Hazel Dean, PCC and congregation</p> |
| <p>Wednesday 23</p> | <p>In a United benefice the parish of St James, Barlborough Clergy: newly appointed Rector Bryony Taylor, Warden John Whybrow and Vernon Sanderson, PCC and congregation</p> |
| <p>Thursday 24</p> | <p>In the parishes of St Peter, Elmton and St Mary Magdelene, Creswell: Clergy: Liz Kirby; Reader Lynne Parker, Warden Richard Shacklock, and D. Smedley, PCC and congregations</p> |

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| Friday 25 | In the parish of St Lawrence Whitwell and All Saints Steetley. Clergy : Liz Kirby; Reader Lynne Parker, Warden Ann Godley and Nigel Bradshaw, PCC and congregations |
| Saturday 26 | In the Dronfield with Holmesfield Team Ministry; the parish of St John Baptist Dronfield, Clergy Peter Bold, William Eardley, Ruth Turner, David Walker; Readers Barbara Hodd, Christine Orme, Christine Williams, Wardens Sybil Naylor, Jill Bethell, Tony Bethell and Amanda Georgiou, PCC and congregation |
| Sunday 27 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> | In the Dronfield with Holmesfield Team Ministry; St Andrew Gosforth Valley, Clergy: Peter Bold, William Eardley, Ruth Turner, David Walker; Wardens Jenny Whittaker, Keith Brooks, Tony Bethell and Amanda Georgiou, PCC and congregations Let us pray to the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that our lives may bear witness to our faith Father, you sent your Word to bring us truth and your Spirit to make us holy. Through them we come to know the mystery of your life. Help us to worship you, one God in three Persons, by proclaiming and living our faith in you. We ask you this, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, true and living, forever and ever. |
| Monday 28 <i>Bank Holiday</i> | In the Dronfield with Holmesfield Team Ministry; St Philip Holmesdale, Clergy Peter Bold, William Eardley, Ruth Turner, David Walker; Readers Barbara Hodd, Christine Orme, Christine Williams, Wardens Barrie Bancroft and Tony Bethell, Amanda Georgiou, PCC and congregation |
| Tuesday 29 | In the Dronfield with Holmesfield Team Ministry; St Mary Unstone, Clergy Peter Bold, William Eardley, Ruth Turner, David Walker; Reader Barbara Hodd, Christine Orme, Christine Williams, Wardens Ian Wright, Helen Brown, Tony Bethell and Amanda Georgiou, PCC and congregation |
| Wednesday 30 | In the Dronfield with Holmesfield Team Ministry; St Swithin Holmesfield Clergy Peter Bold, William Eardley, Ruth Turner, David Walker; Reader Barbara Hodd, Christine Orme, Christine Williams, Tony Bethell, Wardens Robert Greethan, Roger Cattell, Tony Bethell and Amanda Georgiou, PCC and congregation |
| Thursday 31 <i>Corpus Christi</i> | In the parishes of St Peter and St Paul Eckington and St Luke Ridgeway; Clergy: Andy Walker, Ian Price, Sandra Marshall (Methodist); Wardens Barrie Goodwin, Linda Sales, Matthew Rolfe, PCC and congregations |

May the Peace which passes all understanding,
 which has its source within the very nature of Father, Son and Spirit be with us as we meet,
 to still our souls and join our hearts as one.
 May the gentle whisper of the God of peace speak to us through our worship and be the message of our lives.
 Amen