

Week Four: Prayer Diary

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone. 1 Timothy 2.1

Praying for one another and in union with one another is one of the great joys and responsibilities of being a Christian. We grow in love for one another as we pray for each other, and our specific needs and hopes. We also grow in love for Jesus, who himself intercedes for us at the Father's right hand. This prayer diary is intended to encourage us all to pray for the work of our bishops, for our diocese and one another, as well as the many needs of the world in this difficult time.

Daily Prayer Intention

Sunday 14th – that we may grow in understanding and faith so that we can witness to Christ's redemptive work.

Monday 15th - for our Church families that we may increase in love for one another and be inspired by one another's faith and practice.

Tuesday 16th - for the Archdeaconry of Horsham, Angela Martin and Derek Welsman, acting archdeacons, and all who worship in the deaneries of Cuckfield, East Grinstead, Horsham, Hurst, Midhurst, Petworth, and Storrington.

Wednesday 17th – for those who support the work of the diocese in Church House

Thursday 18th – for our Diocesan partner, the Mother's Union and the families and communities they support throughout the world.

Friday 19th – for those who are suffering from conflict and violence and persecution.

Saturday 20th - for the evangelisation of our local communities, that more people know light of God's love and salvation.

Bishop Martin asks that you

join him in praying for:

- All mothers, especially those who grieve for the death of a child
- Our individual and collective commitment to a just and equitable use of the earth's resources, and the eradication of waste in our own households
- The spirit of thanksgiving to God for the give of life and a heart and mind by which to discern God's presence and God's love
- Those have delivered to our door throughout the lockdown the things we need and use.

Bishop Will asks that you

join him in praying for:

- For mothers living in fear or poverty
- For the Deaneries of Uckfield, Battle and Bexhill meeting this week.
- For the clergy of Lewes & Seaford, Rye and Rotherfield praying Night Prayer with Bishop Will.
- For the prisoners, staff and chaplaincy team at Lewes and Ford Prisons
- For Reader ministry and the team that support them.
- For the candidates and interview panel as we seek Gods will in appointing a new Vicar for All Saint's Eastbourne.
- For our diocesan safeguarding team

Bishop Ruth asks that you

join her in praying for:

- Parishes across our Diocese that are in vacancy
- Ordinands from our Diocese whose training has been so affected by the pandemic
- Those in our churches working in front-line healthcare roles
- Our own neighbours and friends who are not followers of Jesus - that we would be unashamed in our gospel witness to them.