



DIOCESE OF BRISTOL

TRANSFORMING CHURCH. TOGETHER.

Nov
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Diocese of Bristol

CYCLE OF PRAYER





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A prayer for use during the Vacancy in See

God of calling,
you call shepherds to lead your people –
Rachel who was the ancestor of your people,
and David who was their king –
guide by your Holy Spirit
all who are entrusted
with discerning who you are calling
to be our Bishop
Give us a shepherd after your own heart,
who will serve with humility and vision,
to guide and lead us in your ways.
May this time of waiting
be filled with grace, anticipation, and a
renewed sense of your mission in the world,
as we seek to follow Jesus, serve others
and transform the communities of this
diocese.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,
our Good Shepherd.
Amen.

Vacancy in See

Praying for the appointment process of the next Bishop of Bishop

The Rt Revd Vivienne Faull, 56th Bishop of Bristol,
retired on 2 September 2025.

The Diocese of Bristol has entered what is known as the
Vacancy in See. The Rt Revd Neil Warwick is Acting
Bishop of Bristol until the election of the next Diocesan
Bishop.

We are invited to pray for Bishop Neil in his leadership of
the diocese alongside others. In this season of waiting
and discernment, let us pray also for the appointment
process. The adjacent prayer has been written
specifically for this period.





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About the Cycle of Prayer

How to use the Cycle of Prayer

There is always somewhere, something or someone we can pray for. This prayer diary is for everyone across the Diocese of Bristol. You are welcome to use it in whatever way suits you best – as a personal pattern of prayer, as part of your church community or prayer group, within Intercessions or through storytelling and social media.

Praying for the Whole People of God

Each week, in our Cycle of Prayer, we pray for churches, chaplaincies schools, people and communities throughout the Diocese of Bristol. Over the course of the year, we remember dioceses across the Anglican Communion including our world church links. When we do this, we pray for the whole people of God in that place – all who lead, serve and worship plus the wider community.

Transforming Church. Together

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer may help to guide individuals and worshipping communities in praying for the outworking of our diocesan strategy – Transforming Church. Together (TC.T). Each day offers a prayer point on this theme. **Further information about TC.T can be found at:**
<https://www.bristol.anglican.org/visionandpriorities/>

Amendments, comments and queries

The information in the Cycle of Prayer is checked and updated as near as possible to the time of production. For accessibility reasons, a limited amount of information can be included.

If you have any comments or queries, please contact the Bishop's Chaplain,
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OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2025

Date	Place/Team	Lead	Schools	TC.T Prayers	World Church
Sunday 26 Trinity 19 Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, 899	Foxley with Bremilham	Gauzebrook benefice Revd Steve Wilkinson		Partnerships in Local Communities	The Church in Wales
Monday 27	Hullavington		Hullavington CE VC Primary School	Volunteers in our Churches	Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines
Tuesday 28 Simon and Jude, Apostles	Luckington			Development of Pilot Admin Centres	Episcopal Diocese of Southern Philippines
Wednesday 29 James Hannington, Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa, 1885	Norton			Following Jesus	Diocese of Phulbani – North India
Thursday 30	Sherston Magna		Sherston CE VC Primary School	Serving Others	Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh
Friday 31	Stanton St Quintin			Transforming Communities	Diocese of Polynesia
Saturday 1 All Saints' Day	Great Western Hospital, Swindon	Revd Jean Brown - Chaplain		Creation Restored	Diocese of Popondota – Papua New Guinea



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Date	Place/Team	Lead	Schools	TC.T Prayers	World Church
Sunday 2 4th before Advent (All Souls' Day)	Gastard	Greater Corsham and Lacock benefice Revd Dr Andrew Johnson		Humanity Reconciled	The Church of the Province of West Africa
Monday 3 Richard Hooker, Priest, Anglican Apologist, 1600	Greater Corsham			TC.T Programme Board	Diocese of Portsmouth – Church of England
Tuesday 4	Lacock with Bowden Hill		Lacock CE VC Primary School	Mission Areas	Diocese of Pretoria – Southern Africa
Wednesday 5	Neston			New Christian Communities	The Episcopal Diocese of Puerto Rico
Thursday 6	St Aidan with St George, Bristol	King's Way benefice Revd Matthew Stone		The Coaching Programme	Diocese of Pune – North India
Friday 7 Willibrord of York, Bishop, Apostle of Frisia, 739	St John the Divine, Fishponds			New Locally Commissioned Lay Ministries	Diocese of Pungue River – Angola and Mozambique
Saturday 8 The Saints and Martyrs of England	St Michael the Archangel, Two Mile Hill			The Priority Communities Network	Diocese of Pyay – Myanmar (Burma)



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Sunday 9 3rd Sunday before Advent	Hardenhuish	Greenways benefice (in vacancy)		Clergy and their Teams in Priority Communities	The Church in the Province of the West Indies
Monday 10 Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, 461	St Paul Chippenham with Langley Burrell			Positive Change against Injustice	Diocese of Qu'Appelle – Canada
Tuesday 11 Martin, Bishop of Tours, c.397	Hanham	Revd Beverley Charles	Christ Church CE VC Primary School	Racial Justice	Diocese of Quebec – Canada
Wednesday 12	Kingswood			Partnerships between Schools and local Churches	Diocese of North Queensland – Australia
Thursday 13 Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836	Hazlenut Community Farm BMO	Revd John White		Children and Young People	Diocese of Raiwind – Pakistan
Friday 14	St Mary the Virgin Henbury	Revd Jae Chandler		Protecting God's Precious Creation	Diocese of Rajasthan – North India
Saturday 15	HM Prison Ashfield	Revd Jo Jennings - Chaplain		Carbon Net Zero	Diocese of Rayalaseema –South India



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Sunday 16 2nd Sunday before Advent Margaret, Queen of Scotland, Philanthropist, Reformer, 1093	Holy Nativity Knowle	Fr Simon Clark		Welcome of People from Different Backgrounds	The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria
Monday 17 Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln, 1200	Easton Christian Family Centre	Revd Canon David Moore	Easton CE Academy	Gifts of Listening and Empathy	The Episcopal Diocese of Recife - Brazil
Tuesday 18 Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess of Thuringia, Philanthropist, 1231	Holy Trinity, Horfield	Revd Canon David McGladdery		Continuing Generosity around Parish Share	The Episcopal Diocese of Rejaf – South Sudan
Wednesday 19 Hilda, Abbess of Whitby, 680	Kingswood & South Glos deanery	Revd Dave Brae		Roll out of Sharesy and other initiatives to build income	Diocese of Remo – Nigeria
Thursday 20 Edmund, King of the East Angles, Martyr, 870	Lawrence Weston	Revd Dr Andy Murray		Diocesan Rhythm of Life	The Episcopal Diocese of Renk – South Sudan
Friday 21	Avonmouth		Avonmouth CE VC Primary School	Evangelism	The Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island
Saturday 22	Licensed Lay Ministers	Dr Stephanie Hayton		Future of our Church Buildings	Diocese of Rift Valley – Tanzania



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Sunday 23 Christ the King Clement, Bishop of Rome, Martyr, c.100	Lockleaze St Mary Magdalene with St Francis	Revd Rob Smith		Partnerships in Local Communities	The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
Monday 24	Box	Lidbrook benefice (in vacancy)	Box CE VC Primary School	Volunteers in our Churches	Diocese of Riverina – Australia
Tuesday 25	Colerne		Colerne CE VC Primary School	Development of Pilot Admin Centres	Diocese of Rochester – Church of England
Wednesday 26	Ditteridge			Following Jesus	The Episcopal Diocese of Rochester - USA
Thursday 27	Bishopstone with Hinton Parva	Revd Steve Paynter	Bishopstone CE VC Primary School	Serving Others	Diocese of Rockhampton –Australia
Friday 28	Lyddington and Wanborough			Transforming Communities	The Episcopal Diocese of Rokon – South Sudan
Saturday 29	Lockleaze St James BMO	Revd Rob Smith		TC.T values: Openness and Creativity	Diocese of Rorya – Tanzania
Sunday 30 Advent 1 Andrew the Apostle	Malmesbury Archdeaconry	Venerable Christopher Bryan		TC.T values: Bravery and Generosity	The Anglican Church of Australia