



DIOCESE OF BRISTOL

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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 Bristol.

The Diocese of Bristol is looking ahead with hope to the appointment of a new Bishop of Bristol as work continues towards our shared mission.

The Rt Revd Neil Warwick is Acting Bishop of Bristol until the election of the next Diocesan Bishop. Interviews will take place 19-20 November 2026

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 recruitment process. The adjacent prayer has been written specifically for this period.



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, Revd Lucy Cleland:** bishop.chaplain@bristoldiocese.org | 01454 777728





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Date	Place/Team	Lead	Schools	TC.T Prayers	World Church
Sunday 01 All Saints Day 4th Sunday before Advent	Withywood	Revd Josh Bradshaw		Creation Restored	The Anglican Church of Central America
Monday 02 Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)	World Church Links			Humanity Reconciled	Diocese of Carlisle – Church of England
Tuesday 03 Richard Hooker, Priest, Anglican Apologist, 1600	Wroughton and Wichelstowe	In Vacancy	Kingfisher CE & The Deanery CE Academy Schools	Mission Areas	The Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina
Wednesday 04	Yate	Revd Peter Huxtable	St Mary's CE VA Primary School, Yate	New Christian Communities	The Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina
Thursday 05	Abbots Leigh with Leigh Woods	Revd Rosemary Radcliffe		The Coaching Programme	The Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina
Friday 06	Air Training Corps Chaplaincy	Revd Andre Hart Revd Canon Alice Kemp		New Locally Commissioned Lay Ministries	The Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina
Saturday 07 Willibrord of York, Bishop, Apostle of Frisia, 739	All Hallows Easton	Fr Simon Clark		The Priority Communities Network	The Episcopal Diocese of Western North Carolina



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Sunday 08 3rd Sunday before Advent The Saints and Martyrs of England	All Saints and Saint Mary, Fishponds	Revd Lizzie Kesteven	Fishponds CE Academy School	Clergy and their Teams in Priority Communities	The Anglican Church of Congo
Monday 09	All Saints and St Barnabas Swindon	In Vacancy		Positive Change against Injustice	Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory – Church of Ireland
Tuesday 10 Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, 461	All Saints with St John Clifton	Revd Charles Sutton	St John's CE VC Primary School, Clifton	Racial Justice	The United Diocese of Chandigarh – North India
Wednesday 11 Martin, Bishop of Tours, c.397	Anna Chaplaincy	Leanne Parkes		Partnerships between Schools and local Churches	Diocese of Chelmsford – Church of England
Thursday 12	Associate Clergy			Children and Young People	Diocese of Chester - Church of England
Friday 13 Charles Simeon, Evangelical Divine, 1836	Acting Bishop of Bristol	Rt Revd Neil Warwick		Protecting God's Precious Creation	The United Diocese of Chhattisgarh – North India
Saturday 14	Bishops Council			Carbon Net Zero	The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago



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Sunday 15 2nd Sunday before Advent	Bristol Cathedral	Very Revd Dr Mandy Ford	Bristol Cathedral Choir School	Welcome of People from Different Backgrounds	The Anglican Church of Chile
Monday 16 Margaret, Queen of Scotland, Reformer, 1093	Ashley	Braydon Brook benefice Revd Bob Molton		Gifts of Listening and Empathy	Diocese of Chichester – Church of England
Tuesday 17 Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln, 1200	Charlton			Continuing Generosity around Parish Share	The United Diocese of Chotanagpur – North India
Wednesday 18 Elizabeth of Hungary, Philanthropist, 1231	Crudwell		Crudwell CE VC Primary School	Roll out of income building initiatives	Diocese of Christ the King – The Anglican Church of Mocambique and Angola
Thursday 19	Hankerton			Diocesan Rhythm of Life	Diocese of Christ the King – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
Friday 20 Edmund, King of the East Angles, Martyr, 870	Minety		Minety CE VC Primary School	Evangelism	Diocese of Christchurch – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
Saturday 21	Oaksey		Oaksey CE VC Primary School	Future of our Church Buildings	Diocese of Chubu – The Anglican Church of Japan



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Sunday 22 Christ the King	Bristol Harbourside Churches	Revd Kat Campion-Spall	Willow Park CE Primary School	Partnerships in Local Communities	The Church of England
Monday 23 Clement, Bishop of Rome, Martyr, c.100	Broad Blunsdon	Revd Phil Goodey	St Leonard's CE Primary Academy School	Volunteers in our Churches	Diocese of Clogher – Church of Ireland
Tuesday 24	Highworth with Sevenhampton and Inglesham			Development of pilot admin centres	The Anglican Diocese on the Coast – Nigeria
Wednesday 25	Hannington			TC.T value: openness & Creativity	The United Diocese of Cochin – South India
Thursday 26	Bristol Archdeaconry	Ven Becky Waring		TC.T value: bravery & generosity	The United Diocese of Coimbatore – South India
Friday 27	Christ the King, Bradley Stoke	Revd Rich Cresswell		Following Jesus	The Episcopal Diocese of Colombia
Saturday 28	Holy Trinity, Bradley Stoke		Holy Trinity CE Primary School	Serving Others	The Extra Provincial Diocese of Colombo – Ceylon



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Sunday 29 Advent 1	Bristol South Deanery LLMs	Dr Stephanie Hayton		Transforming Communities	Anglican church in Hong Kong and Macao
Monday 30 Andrew the Apostle	Bristol South Deanery Synod	Revd Sarah Hancox		TC.T programme board	The Episcopal Diocese of Colorado