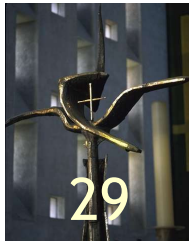


Prayer Diary



Throughout the 29 days of February 2012, the 29 churches in Fosse Deanery are uniting in prayer. Every day, one of the churches will be praying for its own needs, supported in prayer by the rest of the Deanery.

This prayer diary is for people who feel called to pray daily for the churches throughout this time. Thank you for answering that call.

Coventry Cathedral is known for its special ministry of reconciliation. In 2012, as the Cathedral celebrates its Golden Jubilee, we are praying for reconciliation:

- in our own broken relationships, *repenting* of the part that we play in conflicts;
- within our churches, that we may be united and *renewed* in our work of building God's kingdom;
- with God, that there may be a great *revival* and many will come to know Christ's love for themselves.

The LORD will indeed give what is good,
and our land will yield its harvest.
Righteousness goes before him
and prepares the way for his steps.

Psalm 85.12-3

Additional copies of this Prayer Diary and further resources for the 29 Days of Prayer can be downloaded from www.fossedeanery.co.uk.

1

Wednesday

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” Matthew 6.33

Church: St Peter, Barford

Group of Churches: Barford

Parish Priest: David Jessett

Associate Minister: Cathy Davies

Readers: Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, Chris Farr, Ann Fawcett

Please pray for our outreach work with the young people, children and many young families of the village.

2

Thursday

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” Matthew 7.7

Church: St Peter, Kineton

Parish Includes: Little Kineton

Group of Churches: Edgehill Benefice

Parish Priest: Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Richard Cooke

Readers: Pete Ashton, Heidi Cartledge, Alan Hill

Please pray that our activities and ministry will be inspired and empowered by the Holy Spirit, and that all that we do will be to the glory of God. Please pray also for ‘Meeting Point’ (café in church), 9-11 a.m. today.

3

Friday

“For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.” Matthew 7.8

Church: St Helen, Clifford Chambers

Parish Includes: Luddington & Stratford-upon-Avon

Parish Priest: Martin Gorick

Lay Pioneer Minister: Rachel Saum

Associate Minister: Margaret Sweet

Curate: Stuart Labran

Reader: Sarah Hewitt

Please pray for unity of purpose amongst committed members of the church and village.

4

Saturday

“If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.” Matthew 21.22

Church: St Peter & St Clare, Avon Dassett with Fenny Compton

Group of Churches: Dassett Magna Group

Parish Priest: Mike Cadwallader

Reader: John Davies

Please pray for unity; for our mission and ministry to Avon Dassett as well as Fenny Compton; and for many to come to know the love and freedom of Christ.

5

Sunday

“Watch and pray” Matthew 26.41

Church: All Saints, Sherbourne

Group of Churches: Barford

Parish Priest: David Jessett

Associate Minister: Cathy Davies

Readers: Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, Chris Farr, Ann Fawcett

Please pray for unity within the church and community, and for generosity in giving as we raise funds for a toilet in church.

6

Monday

“Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.” Mark 11.24

Church: St Laurence, Lighthorne

Group of Churches: MidFosse Parishes

Parish Priest: Interregnum

Readers: Keith Blackburn, Mary Blackburn, Peter Byrd, Richard Woodfin

Please pray for our parishes during the Interregnum; for acceptance and support for our next Priest, John Parker, arriving later in 2012; and for growth and renewal in our church.

7

Tuesday

“Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.”
Luke 5.16

Church: St George, Newbold Pacey

Parish Includes: Ashorne

Group of Churches: MidFosse Parishes

Parish Priest: Interregnum

Readers: Keith Blackburn, Mary Blackburn, Peter Byrd, Richard Woodfin

Please pray for better contacts between the church in Newbold Pacey and the people who live in Ashorne; and for our next Priest, John Parker.

8

Wednesday

“When you pray, say: ‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come.’” Luke 11.2

Church: Church of the Holy Cross, Moreton Morrell

Group of Churches: MidFosse Parishes

Parish Priest: Interregnum

Readers: Keith Blackburn, Mary Blackburn, Peter Byrd, Richard Woodfin

Please pray for unity, growth and a deeper awareness of God’s presence; for the MidFosse parishes during the Interregnum; and for our next Priest, John Parker.

9

Thursday

“They all joined together constantly in prayer” Acts 1.14

Church: St Andrew, Shottery

Parish Priest: James Warren

Curate: Paul Edmondson

Shakespeare Hospice Chaplain: Alison Hampton

Reader: Kay Dyer

Please pray for openness to the Holy Spirit in facing the cost of change and growth; and for an increasing generosity from the congregation, to achieve the things God is calling us to engage in.

10

Friday

“We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.” Romans 8.26

Church: St Nicholas, Loxley

Group of Churches: Barford

Parish Priest: David Jessett

Associate Minister: Cathy Davies

Readers: Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, Chris Farr, Ann Fawcett

Please pray for an increase in the Christian spirit of wanting to help others and be part of the community; and for generosity as we seek to raise funds for significant repairs to the church.

11

Saturday

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” Romans 12.12

Church: All Saints, Burton Dassett with the Chapel of Ease, Northend

Parish Includes: Knightcote, Little Dassett, Northend, Temple Herdewyke

Group of Churches: Dassett Magna Group

Parish Priest: Mike Cadwallader

Reader: John Davies

Please pray for unity; for our mission and ministry to all five of our communities; and for our small worshipping community as we strive to maintain two church buildings.

12

Sunday

“I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being” Ephesians 3.16

Church: All Saints, Luddington

Parish Includes: Clifford Chambers & Stratford-upon-Avon

Parish Priest: Martin Gorick

Lay Pioneer Minister: Rachel Saum

Associate Minister: Margaret Sweet

Curate: Stuart Labran

Reader: Sarah Hewitt

Please pray for a real increase in stewardship generosity in 2012, and for continued growth amongst local families.

13

Monday

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.” Ephesians 6.18a

Church: St Peter Ad Vincula, Ratley

Parish Includes: Edgehill

Group of Churches: Edgehill Benefice

Parish Priest: Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Richard Cooke

Readers: Pete Ashton, Heidi Cartledge, Alan Hill

Please pray for encouragement as we seek to engage with children and young people, and for the flourishing of God’s gift of music in our parish.

14

Tuesday

“With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.” Ephesians 6.18b

Church: St Michael, Warmington

Parish Includes: Arlescote

Group of Churches: Edgehill Benefice

Parish Priest: Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Richard Cooke

Readers: Pete Ashton, Heidi Cartledge, Alan Hill

Please pray for growth in our church and for growth in our faith: for all of us to grow closer to God.

15

Wednesday

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.” Philippians 4.6

Church: St Leonard, Charlecote

Group of Churches: Barford

Parish Priest: David Jessett

Associate Minister: Cathy Davies

Readers: Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, Chris Farr, Ann Fawcett

Please pray for wisdom to know how best to engage with the many visitors to our church.

16

Thursday

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.” Colossians 4.2

Church: St James, Alveston

Parish Includes: Tiddington

Parish Priest: Richard Williams

Reader: Lisle Sharp

We give thanks for the completion of repair works and the conservation of the tower. Please pray for generosity in giving, to meet our continuing need for funds to repair and re-decorate the interior of the building.

17

Friday

“We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers.” 1 Thessalonians 1.2

Church: St John the Baptist, Wasperton

Group of Churches: Barford

Parish Priest: David Jessett

Associate Minister: Cathy Davies

Readers: Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, Chris Farr, Ann Fawcett

Please pray for guidance about our outreach to young families in the village, and how to encourage younger members of the village population to assist with the upkeep of the church.

18

Saturday

“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances” 1 Thessalonians 5.16-8

Church: St Botolph, Farnborough

Group of Churches: Dasset Magna Group

Parish Priest: Mike Cadwallader

Reader: John Davies

Please pray for unity; for our mission and ministry both here in Farnborough and across the Dasset Magna Group; and for encouragement and growth in our small worshipping community.

19

Sunday

“Brothers and sisters, pray for us.” 1 Thessalonians 5.25

Church: St Giles, Chesterton

Group of Churches: MidFosse Parishes

Parish Priest: Interregnum

Readers: Keith Blackburn, Mary Blackburn, Peter Byrd, Richard Woodfin

Please pray for us during the Interregnum; for growth and encouragement; and for our next Priest, John Parker, arriving later in 2012.

20

Monday

“Pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honoured” 2 Thessalonians 3.1

Church: St Laurence, Shotteswell

Group of Churches: Edgehill Benefice

Parish Priest: Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Richard Cooke

Readers: Pete Ashton, Heidi Cartledge, Alan Hill

Please pray for a growth in community spirit in our village, not only on celebratory occasions but also in our everyday contact with each other, offering support where needed.

21

Tuesday

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people”

1 Timothy 2.1

Church: Community Church, Lighthorne Heath

Group of Churches: MidFosse Parishes

Parish Priest: Interregnum

Readers: Keith Blackburn, Mary Blackburn, Peter Byrd, Richard Woodfin

Please pray for a growth in each person’s ministry during the Interregnum; for our next Priest, John Parker; for the development of Café Church; and for our work with young people, including the existing 8-11s and 14+ groups, and the new group for 11-14s.

22

Wednesday

“I want everyone everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing.” 1 Timothy 2.8

Church: Holy Trinity, Stratford-upon-Avon

Parish Includes: Clifford Chambers & Luddington

Parish Priest: Martin Gorick

Lay Pioneer Minister: Rachel Saum

Associate Minister: Margaret Sweet

Curate: Stuart Labran

Reader: Sarah Hewitt

Please pray that we might be enabled to live out our values of holiness, humility and hospitality in the many challenges and opportunities of ministry here.

23

Thursday

“I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers” Philemon 1.4

Church: St Peter, Radway

Group of Churches: Edgehill Benefice

Parish Priest: Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Richard Cooke

Readers: Pete Ashton, Heidi Cartledge, Alan Hill

Please pray for guidance about how we can find effective ways of reaching out to the people of Radway, and to make church relevant to all in our parish.

24

Friday

“During the days of Jesus’ life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.” Hebrews 5.7

Church: St Peter Ad Vincula, Hampton Lucy

Group of Churches: Barford

Parish Priest: David Jessett

Associate Minister: Cathy Davies

Readers: Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, Chris Farr, Ann Fawcett

Please pray that God will enable us to identify more people to be involved in the development of Pastoral Care; and for us to be able to maximise the potential of our building, including the disabled access, toilet and kitchen facilities that are needed.

25

Saturday

“Pray for us.” Hebrews 13.18

Church: St Giles, Gaydon with Chadshunt

Group of Churches: Dasset Magna Group

Parish Priest: Mike Cadwallader

Reader: John Davies

Please pray for unity; for our mission and ministry to Chadshunt as well as Gaydon; and for the courage to let go of what we are used to.

26

Sunday

“Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.” James 5.13

Church: St Peter, Manor Road

Parish: Alveston

Parish Includes: Tiddington

Parish Priest: Richard Williams

Reader: Lisle Sharp

Please pray for the many secular groups who use the premises, that they might see something of the love of Christ as they cross the threshold.

27

Monday

“Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.” James 5.16

Church: St Mary & St Margaret, Combroke with Compton Verney

Group of Churches: Edgehill Benefice

Parish Priest: Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Richard Cooke

Readers: Pete Ashton, Heidi Cartledge, Alan Hill

We give thanks for the wonderful sense of fellowship here in Combroke, and ask you to pray for families here who have been bereaved.

28

Tuesday

“Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense to offer, with the prayers of all God’s people, on the golden altar in front of the throne.” Revelation 8.3

Church: St James, Walton d’Eivile

Group of Churches: Wellesbourne & Walton d’Eivile

Parish Priest: Kate Mier

Curate: Wendy Biddington

Readers: Tina Lamb, Mac Parry, Sara Serpell

Please pray for the many wedding couples and visitors who come to our church, and for us as we welcome and minister to them.

29

Wednesday

“The smoke of the incense, together with the prayers of God’s people, went up before God from the angel’s hand.” Revelation 8.4

Church: St Peter, Wellesbourne

Group of Churches: Wellesbourne & Walton d’Eivile

Parish Priest: Kate Mier

Curate: Wendy Biddington

Readers: Tina Lamb, Mac Parry, Sara Serpell

Please pray for growth in the Youth Bus initiative, Community Church and Café ConnecTions; for Baptism, wedding and funeral families and those who minister to them; and that the regular congregation may gather expectantly to worship, grow in our faith and go out to engage with the Jesus adventure in our community.