

**Wed 6 Feb Heb. 12:4-15, Mark 6:1-6** Bless those studying to increase their spiritual skills in worship leading & pastoral visiting.

**Thurs 7 Feb Heb. 12:18-24, Mark 6:7-13** Raise up we pray people to lead prayer in worship, lead small discipleship groups & serve in increasing effectiveness.

**Fri 8 Feb Heb. 13:1-8, Mark 6:14-29** Lord we long for Your Holy Spirit to bring revelation to those in ignorance of the gospel locally – direct us to live more closely to you.

**Sat 9 Feb Heb. 13:15-21, Mark 6:30-34** We pray for those regularly commuting long distances to work they the quality of their home lives may not suffer.

**Sun 10 Feb** Isaiah 6:1-8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11 *Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above you heavenly host, praise Father Son and Holy Ghost.*

**Mon 11 Feb Genesis 1:1-19, Mark 6:53-end** we give thanks for the guidance you give us each day.

**Tues 12 Feb Gen. 1:20-2:4, Mark 7:1-13** We give thanks for the provision of health, strength and daily food.

**Wed 13 Feb Gen. 2:4-17, Mark 7:14-23** We pray for Christians suffering persecution around the world, for daring to place their allegiance to You instead of wicked & corrupt regimes, that Your presence may encourage them every day.

**Thurs 14 Feb Gen. 2:18-end, Mark 7:24-30** We remember those in prison in China, North Korea, Iran, Pakistan because they trust in You- bless them with Your gracious presence.

**Fri 15 Feb Gen. 3:1-8, Mark 7:31-end** We pray for the people of Yemen, suffering brutal suppression & warfare that peace may come soon.

**Sat 16 Feb Gen. 3:9-end, Mark 8:1-10** Lord Jesus who walks alongside us every moment, help me today to live a life pleasing to you, that my words, conversation and heart may honour you.

**Sun 17 Feb** Jeremiah 17:5-10, 1 Corinthians 15:12-20, Luke 6:17-26 *Show Your power O Lord, demonstrate the justice of Your kingdom through Your mighty Word, vindicate Your name before a watching world.*

**Mon 18 Feb Gen. 4:1-25, Mark 8:11-13** Bless those who care for the disabled, elderly & those needing 24 hour care in our community.

**Tues 19 Feb Gen. 6:5-8, 7:1-10; Mark 8:14-21** Bless the clergy chapter as they meet for breakfast with Bishop David

**Wed 20 Feb Gen. 8:6-end, Mark 8:22-26** We pray for our diocesan Bishops Tim and David as the choice of a new area bishop for Southampton is taken.

## Benefice Prayer and Bible Reading Diary for Jan 1 to Feb 20 2019

**Tues 1 Jan New Year's Day Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:15-21.** Lord we give thanks for the year ahead: we put our hands into your hands, we trust you to guide, lead, support, change & transform us as we walk with you, knowing You are the Way, the Truth & the Life.

**Wed 2 Jan 1 John 2:22-28, John 1:19-28.** We give thanks that we are citizens of Your kingdom, but pray for those in authority over us in Church & State that You may overrule delusions, distractions & lies that we may be led in humility, truth, justice & godliness.

**Thurs 3 Jan 1 John 2:29-3:6, John 1:29-34.** Bless those for whom Christmas has been difficult through sickness, bereavement & conflict, that as we return to routines we may all find grace to forgive & Your presence in us.

**Fri 4 Jan 1 John 3:7-10, John 1:35-42** Bless all those preparing for worship this weekend that preachers may be inspired, prayer leaders led by Your Holy Spirit, & that we all may be receptive to hearing Your voice & obeying.

**Sat 5 Jan 1 John 3:11-21, John 1:43-end** We pray for those increasingly debilitated through age & infirmity: give grace and strength to all who care for them.

**Sun 6 Jan Epiphany** Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-18 *Wise men seeking Jesus travelled from afar, guided on their journey, by a beautiful star – Lord make us seekers after truth, salvation & You today.* Bless the baptism of Elizabeth Swithinbank today at Northington.

**Mon 7 Jan 1 John 3:22-4:6, Matt.4:12-end** Speak to me today Lord in ways I recognise: I choose to put into practice Your command to love my enemies, pray for those who persecute me & give sacrificially for the Kingdom.

**Tues 8 Jan 1 John 4:7-10, Mark 6:34-44.** We pray for those involved in small businesses around the villages that in their dealings they may prosper in all things lawful & helpful, as they provide employment for us.

**Wed 9 Jan 1 John 4:11-18, Mark 6:45-52** We ask Your blessing on all involved in local parish councils, and in the wider spheres of government that their lives may reflect truth, honesty, integrity & justice for all.

**Thurs 10 Jan 1 John 4:19-5:4, Luke 4:14-22** In the ongoing crisis in our nation over gender confusion, deliver those suffering from delusion & lies about themselves, & bring them into the joyous liberty of knowing the truth of who they really are.

**Fri 11 Jan 1 John 5:5-13, Luke 5:12-16** We pray for those responsible for policing locally, especially PC Andy Reid, that they are protected from harm in the course of their duties & given insight & revelation in order to catch those involved in evil.

**Sat 12 Jan 1 John 5:14-end, John 3:22-30.** We give thanks for all involved in the NHS, paramedic, ambulance & Fire services: give them patience & protection where they are called to help in traumatic situations.

**Sun 13 Jan** Isaiah 43:1-7, Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17,21-22 *I lift my eyes to the quiet hills, in the press of a busy day, as green hills stand in a dusty land so God is my strength and stay.*

**Mon 14 Jan Hebrews 1:1-6, Mark 1:14-20** As Farleigh PCC meets tonight, bless our deliberations & decisions with grace & hope.

**Tues 15 Jan Hebrews 2:5-12, Mark 1:21-28** As the New Candovers & Bradley PCC meets tonight for the first time, grant hope, prayerful expectation & unity.

**Wed 16 Jan Hebrews 2:14-end, Mark 1:29-39** We pray for the Wednesday fellowship group meeting in Ellisfield that we may grow in prayer & knowledge of Your Word.

**Thurs 17 Jan Heb. 3:7-14, Mark 1:40-end** We pray for Your blessing & protection on all who work on the land locally, that in the use of dangerous machinery they may be guarded from accident & so fulfil their roles, that the crops prosper & flourish without insect infestation or unseasonal weather extremes.

**Fri 18 Jan Heb. 4:1-11, Mark 2:1-12** Bless we ask our schools at Preston Candover & Cliddesden, that parents, staff & Governors work together to prosper the children's education.

**Sat 19 Jan Heb. 4:12-end, Mark 2:13-17** The diocese says farewell today to Bishop of Southampton Jonathan Frost as he goes to be Dean of York: bless him & his family we pray, by Your Holy Spirit.

**Sun 20 Jan** Isaiah 62:1-5, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11 *You are the vine, we are the branches, keep us abiding in you.*

**Mon 21 Jan Heb 5:1-10, Mark 2:18-22** We ask Your help today for all involved in keeping our roads clear & in good repair for our safety.

**Tues 22 Jan Heb. 6:10-end, Mark 2:23-end** Guide we pray Wield's PCC as we meet tonight to pray and plan.

**Wed 23 Jan Heb. 7:1-3, 15-17, Mark 3:1-6** We pray for those seeking baptism of their children that they find You as Saviour & Lord & their children grow up in godly Christian homes.

**Thurs 24 Jan Heb. 7:25—8:6, Mark 3:7-12** Lord help me today to rise above my prejudices & to be kind to those who are difficult.

**Fri 25 Jan Conversion of St. Paul: Acts 9:1-22, Matt. 19:27-end** As we celebrate Paul's conversion we pray for the conversion of our nation to Christ, and for those living in sinful destructive lifestyle patterns, bring them to true repentance & transformation, to walk in holy living.

**Sat 26 Jan Heb. 9:2-14, Mark 3:20-21** We ask for you to call more younger people to follow you – help us make our worship services accessible for the 21<sup>st</sup> century & not resist godly change.

**Sun 27 Jan** Nehemiah 8:1-10, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31, Luke 4:14-21 *I will call upon the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised, So shall I be saved from my enemies.*

**Mon 28 Jan Heb. 9:15-end, Mark 3:22-30** I choose today to pray and seek Your Face O Lord, that others may find You in & through me.

**Tues 29 Jan Heb. 10:1-10, Mark 3:31-end** We give thanks for the place we live, for its beauty & peace: forgive us for taking it for granted, & bless those who come walking, running & cycling to enjoy Your creation.

**Wed 30 Jan Heb. 10:11-18, Mark 4:1-20** We pray for David & Stephen as they take school assemblies regularly in local schools, that their presence & teaching will help children seek for You.

**Thurs 31 Jan Heb. 10:19-25, Mark 4:21-25** Bless David & Stephen in their pastoral roles to the sick & dying, bereaved & in distress, that others find you.

**Fri 1 Feb Heb. 10:32-end, Mark 4:26-34** We ask for a move of Your Holy Spirit in our benefice, awakening the sleeping, confronting the wayward, comforting the sorrowing, bringing life to those dead spiritually & quickening our worship.

**Sat 2 Feb Heb. 11:1-19, Mark 4:35-end** As the engaged couples' evening takes place bless the couples in their wedding plans and the team as they guide them.

**Sun 3 Feb** Ezekiel 43:27-44:4, 1 Corinthians 13, Luke 2:22-40 *Jesus is king and I will extol Him give him the glory and honour His name.* Bless the baptism of Milania Flavius at Dummer & meet us as the Lango team share the latest news from our link diocese in Uganda at St. John's Alresford 6.00 p.m.

**Mon 4 Feb Heb. 11:32-end, Mark 5:1-20** We ask For your Holy Spirit's power to manifest in worship this week that those blinded by dark powers see & be delivered into the kingdom of light & truth.

**Tues 5 Feb Heb. 12:1-4, Mark 5:21-43** As Northington PC meets tonight guide our thinking & planning.