

SAT 27 SEPT 1 Chron 22:2-end, Mark 10:46-end, Psalm 23 *We pray for all who are bereaved, lonely or suffering, that they would know the Lord's leading into places of quietness, rest and healing.*

SUN 28 SEPT Jer 32:1-3a & 6-15, 1 Tim 6:6-19, Luke 16:19-end, Psalm 91 *We give thanks for our village choirs which contribute to the life of our churches and enliven our worship.*

MON 29 SEPT Michael and All Angels. Rev 12:7-12, John 1:47-end, Psalm 103 *We rejoice because salvation belongs to our God and Jesus has won the victory over all the works of the evil one.*

TUES 30 SEPT 1 Chron 28:11-end, Mark 11:12-26, Psalm 36 *We pray for resilience and compassion for those who work in the emergency services, responding to traumatic situations daily.*

WED 1 OCT 1 Chron 29:1-9, Mark 11:27-end, Psalm 34 *We pray for those who work and volunteer at the Food Bank that those who receive help would also be aware of the love of Christ.*

THURS 2 OCT 1 Chron 29:10-20, Mark 12:1-12, Psalm 37 *We pray that the coffee mornings and community gatherings in our villages would draw people together and provide opportunities to speak of Jesus.*

FRI 3 OCT, 1 Chron 29:21-end, Mark 12:13-17, Psalm 31 *We give thanks for businesses across the benefice. We pray for success and innovation for them and ask that they would always operate with integrity.*

SAT 4 OCT 2 Chron 1:1-13, Mark 12:18-27, Psalm 42 *We give thanks for the beauty of creation around us; for the wonder of ever changing skies and the beauty of flora and fauna.*

SUN 5 OCT Lam 1:1-6, 2 Tim 1:1-14, Luke 17:5-10, Psalm 137 *We continue to pray God's blessing for the people of Nyaruguru diocese in Rwanda and for good progress with the building of a guesthouse in Kihebo.*

MON 6 OCT 2 Chron 2:1-16, Mark 12:28-34, Psalm 44 *We give thanks for the success of the Candover Valley Stores. We pray for all who work and volunteer there and who make this a focal point for the community.*

TUES 7 OCT 2 Chron 3, Mark 12:35-end, Psalm 48 *We pray for our County, Borough and Parish Councillors that they would have wisdom in stewarding limited resources for the good of their communities.*

WED 8 OCT 2 Chron 5, Mark 13:1-13, Psalm 59 *"Deliver me from my enemies, O God; protect me from those who rise up against me." We pray for wisdom for all who are working to bring an end to the war in Ukraine. We pray for strength, perseverance and inspiration for the Ukrainians.*

PRAYER AND BIBLE READING DIARY **21ST AUGUST TO 8TH OCTOBER 2025**

THURS 21 AUG Ezek 43:1-12, Mark 1:29-end, Psalm 57 *We pray for students receiving their GCSE results today that whatever the result, they would know your direction for the next stage of their lives.*

FRI 22 AUG Ezek 44:4-16, Mark 2:1-12, Psalm 51 *Lord, we thank you for your enduring love for us and for your mercy and grace at work in our lives. May we remember to bring our sin before you in repentance, and receive your gift of forgiveness each day.*

SAT 23 AUG Ezek 47:1-12, Mark 2:13-22, Psalm 68 *We pray for all who work in the caring professions and in our local surgeries and hospitals.*

SUN 24 AUG Jer 1:4-10, Heb 12:18-end, Luke 13:10-17, Psalm 71 *We continue to pray for wisdom for our church wardens as they undertake their responsibilities and prepare for a new season in our churches.*

MON 25 AUG Bartholomew the Apostle, Prov 1:1-19, Mark 2:23-3:6, Psalm 71 *Bartholomew was martyred for his faith. We pray that we would be ready to live for Christ – not loving our lives even unto death.*

TUES 26 AUG Prov 1:20-end, Mark 3:7-19a, Psalm 73 *We pray for the peace of Jerusalem. We pray for wisdom for Israeli leaders in the continuing war; for release of the hostages and for consensus in the country about the way forward.*

WED 27 AUG Prov 2, Mark 3:19b-end, Psalm 77 *We pray for world leaders seeking to bring resolution to the ongoing conflict in the Middle East: for wisdom, understanding and recognition that terrorism should not be rewarded.*

THURS 28 AUG Prov 3:1-26, Mark 4:1-20, Psalm 78:1-39 *We pray for Kemi Badenoch to put her faith in the Lord Jesus rather than "cultural Christianity."*

FRI 29 AUG Prov 3:27-4:19, Mark 4:21-34, Psalm 55 *We pray for courage for Bishop Philip and the Lords Spiritual that they would use their influence and spiritual authority to speak out against the assisted suicide bill and the decision to legalise abortion up to birth.*

SAT 30 AUG Prov 6:1-19, Mark 4:35-end, Psalm 76 *We pray for Imogen Bryant and Simon Alner as they are married at St John's today and celebrate with family and friends. May they enjoy a long and fulfilling marriage together.*

SUN 31 AUG Jer 2:4-13, Heb 13:1-8 & 15-16, Luke 14:1 & 7-14, Psalm 81 *We give thanks for those who contribute to our worship on Sundays: flower arrangers, cleaners, vergers, sidespeople, musicians, preachers, service leaders and those providing refreshments.*

MON 1 SEPT Prov 8:1-21, Mark 5:1-20, Psalm 80 *We pray for a new Archbishop of Canterbury who is able to unite the church in truth and righteousness.*

TUES 2 SEPT Prov 8:22-end, Mark 5:21-34, Psalm 89:1-18 *We pray for the schools in our benefice; for school staff and children as they begin a new school year today. We ask for secure and happy learning environments where children are nurtured to help them achieve their full potential.*

WED 3 SEPT Prov 9, Mark 5:35-end, Psalm 91 *We pray for Christians around the world who are persecuted for their faith. May they know that the Lord is their refuge and fortress.*

THURS 4 SEPT Prov 10:1-12, Mark 6:1-13, Psalm 92 *As we celebrate the goodness of the Lord in Harvest Festivals this month, we give thanks for our farmers and all who work on the land to produce our food, for their hard work and perseverance during unusual weather conditions.*

FRI 5 SEPT Prov 11:1-12, Mark 6:14-29, Psalm 88 *We pray for St Leonard's singing group as a new term begins that the children would grow to know and love the Lord Jesus and enjoy singing his praises.*

SAT 6 SEPT Prov 12:10-end, Mark 6:30-44, Psalm 97 *We thank the Lord for his provision for us and the variety of food that we eat. We pray for those who are struggling to afford to eat properly. May we be generous in our support of the food banks.*

SUN 7 SEPT Jer 18:1-11, Philemon 1-21, Luke 14:25-33, Psalm 139 *We pray for Rev Jennifer Wright as she prepares to minister as Rector in our benefice, that the Lord would envision, lead and direct her.*

MON 8 SEPT Prov 14:31-15:17, Mark 6:45-end, Psalm 98 *We pray for students beginning their courses in further education and those returning after the holidays. May they enjoy their studies and settle easily into new surroundings.*

TUES 9 SEPT Prov 15:18-end, Mark 7:1-13, Psalm 106 *We give thanks to the Lord for he is good. Let us remember his mighty acts and declare his praise*

WED 10 SEPT Prov 18:10-end, Mark 7:14-23, Psalm 111 *"The Lord is gracious and compassionate" (Ps 111.v 4) We pray for those we know who are suffering with ill health and painful symptoms, that they would know the Lord's presence with them and his healing.*

THURS 11 SEPT Prov 20:1-22, Mark 7:24-30, Psalm 115 *Thank you Lord that we still have enough water. We pray for those who do not have access to a reliable local water source. Please bless efforts to increase water supplies for all around the world.*

FRI 12 SEPT Prov 22:1-16, Mark 7:31-end, Psalm 139 *We pray for the Stinton family as their daughter is baptised at St Martin's tomorrow, and for her godparents. May they support her so that she grows to know how special she is and to find her identity in Christ.*

SAT 13 SEPT Prov 24:23-end, Mark 8:1-10, Psalm 121 *We pray for Alice Burke and John Jeffrey as they are married at St John's today and for Robyn Gibbons and Paul Fowler as they are married at All Saints, Bradley. May each*

couple know your presence in their life together and in their relationship throughout their marriage.

SUN 14 SEPT Jer 4:11-12 & 22-28, 1 Tim 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10, Psalm 14 *We pray for Robert Spall and his family as he is baptised at St Leonard's today. May he grow to love the Lord Jesus and find his identity in Him.*

MON 15 SEPT Prov 25:1-14, Mark 8:11-21, Psalm 126 *We pray that Rev Jennifer Wright would feel warmly welcomed by members of our benefice as she is installed as Rector this evening at St John's.*

TUES 16 SEPT Prov 25:15-end, Mark 8:22-26, Psalm 132 *We give thanks for our village magazines and all those who edit, print, deliver and contribute.*

WED 17 SEPT Prov 26:12-end, Mark 8:27-9:1, Psalm 136, *We pray for protection for reporters risking their lives in dangerous places. We pray for diligence in research and that news reports are unbiased.*

THURS 18 SEPT Prov 27:1-22, Mark 9:2-13, Psalm 143 *O Lord hear the prayer of innocent victims caught up in conflicts around the world and come to their relief. We pray particularly for those living in Gaza.*

FRI 19 SEPT Prov 30: 1-9 & 24-31, Mark 9:14-29, Psalm 144 *We pray for the Farleigh Parish Playgroup, for new families to join this term and strong relationships to be forged.*

SAT 20 SEPT Prov 31:10-end, Mark 9:30-37, Psalm 147 *We pray for Catherine Picton-Turbervill and Nima Amin as they celebrate their wedding today at St John's. May the Lord bless them throughout their marriage.*

SUN 21 SEPT Jer 8:18-9:1, 1 Tim 2:1-7, Luke 16:1-13, Psalm 79 *We pray for the clergy who have supported us through the interregnum and for all who will take part in the service tomorrow evening.*

MON 22 SEPT Matthew Apostle and Evangelist, 2 Cor 4:1-6, Mat 9:9-13, Psalm 119:65-72 *We are thankful for the example of Matthew who obeyed Jesus' call to follow him. We pray for those we know who do not yet know the Lord Jesus that they would realise how much he loves them.*

TUES 23 SEPT 1 Chron 13, Mark 10:1-16 Psalm 5 *We continue to pray for freedom of speech to be upheld in this country. We pray for strength for Christians who have lost their jobs for holding fast to their Christian faith.*

WED 24 SEPT 1 Chron 15:1-16:3, Mark 10:17-31, Psalm 11 *"The Lord is righteous and loves justice." We pray for police forces around the country and for our local officers, to work with integrity and uphold the law impartially, as they face increasingly difficult and violent situations.*

THURS 25 SEPT 1 Chron 17, Mark 10:32-34, Psalm 15 *We give thanks for Tricia our administrator. May she be blessed in her service to us, as a new season begins in our benefice.*

FRI 26 SEPT 1 Chron 21:1-22:1, Mark 10:35-45, Psalm 19 *"The law of the Lord is perfect reviving the soul." We pray for our Prime Minister and MPs to follow God's ways and thus revive the soul of our country.*