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**Prayer Diary**

**July 2024**

***This week …***

*‘He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum”, which means, “Little girl, get up!”’ (Mark 5.41)*

Jesus paid attention to children, your people and the vulnerable, and in the face of seeming hopelessness brought new life and hope; let’s pray that we might witness to Christ’s new life and hope, particularly in our care for the young and vulnerable.

*Henry, John, and Henry Venn the Younger, priests, Evangelical divines, 1797, 1813 and 1873*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Gogrial** *(South Sudan)*

Bp Abraham Hgor Mangong

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Bishop Helen-Ann and Bishop Mark

* Those living with Down’s syndrome

**2 Tuesday**

* **Porvoo Communion:**

Diocese of St Albans

Diocese of Linköping *(Church of Sweden)*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Goma** *(Congo)*

Bp Martin Gordon

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Continuing Ministerial Formation Officer:

Ce Pacitti

* Those living with epilepsy

*Please pray for the Bishop of Beverley and all gathering with him in the Cathedral for the Ordination of James Bartle as a Deacon.*

**3 THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Gombe** *(Nigeria)*

Bp Cletus Ajigben Tambari

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Lay Ministry Development Officer:

Nicola Denyer

* Those living with Parkinson’s disease

**4 Thursday**

* **The Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Good Shepherd** *(Mozambique and Angola)* Bp Andre Soares

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Director of Initial Ministerial Education

Phase 2: Jennifer Cooper

* **The Mothers’ Union:**

Pray for Mothers’ Union Indoor Members and Meg Johnson who supports them.

* Those who are deaf with no hearing

*Please pray for all involved in today’s General Election and for all who will be elected to serve in the new UK parliament and government.*

**5 Friday**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Grafton** *(Australia)*

Bp Murray Harvey

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

Area Dean: Phil Medley

* Those living with blindness

*Please pray for the meeting of the General Synod, taking place in York from 5th to 9th July. Pray particularly for our own Diocese’s representatives and the contribution they make to national church life.*

*House of Bishops: Bishop Helen-Ann*

*House of Clergy: Ian Flintoft, Robert Lawrance and Claire Robson*

*House of Laity: Robin Brims, Nicola Denyer and Izzy McDonald-Booth*

***This Prayer Diary can be downloaded each month from the***

***Newcastle diocesan website:***

***www.newcastle.anglican.org/prayerdiary***

**6 Saturday**

*Thomas More, scholar, and John Fisher, bishop of Rochester, Reformation martyrs, 1535*

*Granville Sharpe, Biblical scholar and social reformer, 1813 [CNS]*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Grahamstown** *(Southern Africa)*

Bp *vacant*

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

Deanery Lay Chair: Louisa Fox

* Those living with acquired hearing loss

**7 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

***This week …***

*‘”What is this wisdom that has been given to him?”’ (Mark 6.2)*

The cynics of his hometown could not believe what Jesus was saying; we might feel the same about our political leaders, but let’s pray for God’s wisdom for our leaders and especially our new government.

*Boisil of Melrose, prior, 661 [CNS]*

* **Porvoo Communion:**

Diocese of St Albans

Diocese of Linköping *(Church of Sweden)*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean** Primate: Abp James Wong

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

Deanery Synod Secretary: *vacant*

Finance Officer: *vacant*

* Those living with macular degeneration

**8 Monday**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Rio Grande** *(ECUSA)*

Bp Michael Buerkel Hunn

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Byker St Anthony**

Vicar: *vacant*

Reader Emeritus: Mavis Gray

* Those living with spina bifida

**9 Tuesday**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Guadalcanal** *(Melanesia)*

Bp Nathan Tome

* **Newcastle East Deanery**

**Benefice: Byker St Mark and Walkergate St Oswald**

Vicar: Tim Ferguson

* Those living with cerebral palsy

**10 Wednesday**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Guatemala** *(Central America)*

Most Revd Armando Guerra Soria

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Byker St Martin**

Priest in Charge: Tim Ferguson

* Those living with memory problems

**11 Thursday**

Benedict of Nursia, abbot of Monte Cassino, father of western monasticism, c.550

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Guildford**Bp Andrew Watson

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Byker St Michael with St Lawrence**

Priest-in-Charge: Helen Gill

* **Praying for Unity:**

For the Church Leaders Group in our region

* Those living with muscular dystrophy

## 12 Friday

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Guinea** *(West Africa)*

Abp Jacques Boston

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Byker St Silas**

Vicar: Helen Gill

Reader: Matthew King

* All living with any form of dementia

**13 Saturday**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Gujurat** *(United Church of North India)* Bp Silvans Christian

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Mission Initiative Newcastle East (MINE)**

**MINE Youth:**

Music Development Leader: Alicia Barwick

Music Development Worker: Dan Ball

**Other MINE Projects:**

Money Advice Newcastle East Coordinator: Susan Watson

Presence Project Worker: Heather Farrow

**MINE Clergy:**

Parish Priest, Pioneer Ministry and Community Development Lead:

Phil Medley

Parish Priest and Pastoral Ministry Lead: Helen Gill

* Those living with speech, language and communications difficulties

*Pray today for all attending the meeting of the Diocesan Synod in Newcastle Cathedral.*

*Please pray also for Prebendary Ruth Hulse who is to be installed as a Residentiary Canon at the Cathedral this afternoon.*

**14 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

***This week …***

*‘King Herod heard of it, for Jesus’ name had become known.’ (Mark 6.14)*

People are questioning and wondering who Jesus is, even the king; let’s pray that our churches, particularly in our summer activities and outreach, might proclaim the good news so that Jesus’ name will become known in communities.

* **Porvoo Communion:**

Diocese of Newcastle

Diocese of Møre *(Church of Norway)*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**The Church of Ireland**

Primate: Most Revd John McDowell

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Longbenton**

Vicar: Benjamin Jarvis

Associate Priest: Fraser Charlton

Reader PTO: Jennifer Brown

* Longbenton St Bartholomew’s C of E Primary School
* Those living with the consequences of amputation

**15 Monday**

Swithun, bishop of Winchester, c.862

*Bonaventure, friar, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1274*

* **Anglican Communion:**
* **Diocese of Central Gulf Coast** *(ECUSA)*

Bp Russell Kendrick

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Longbenton St Mary Magdalene**

Vicar: *vacant*

Associate Priest: Neal Terry

Reader: Louisa Fox

* All living with some form of autism

*Please pray for the people of the benefice of Bywell and Mickley, and for Simon Grundy, to be licensed as Priest-in-Charge by Bishop Helen-Ann this evening.*

**16 Tuesday**

*Osmund, bishop of Salisbury, 1099 [CNS] \**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Gusau** *(Nigeria)*

Bp John Garba Danbinta

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Newcastle St Francis**

Vicar: Robert Lawrance

Reader PTO: Gloria Bryant

* Those living with asthma or emphysema
* \* Canon Ruth Hulse, Canon for Worship and Congregational Life at Newcastle Cathedral

*Please pray today and tomorrow for all attending the Newcastle Diocesan Clergy Retreat with Paula Gooder at Hexham Abbey.*

**17 Wednesday**

*Charles, 2nd Earl Grey, politician, 1845 [CNS]\**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Guyana** *(West Indies)*

Bp Alfred David

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Newcastle St Gabriel**

Vicar: Jonathan Lawson

Assistant Curate: Alan White

* All living with motor neuron disease

*\** Canon Robert Arckless

**18 Thursday**

*Elizabeth Ferard, first deaconess of the Church of England, founder of the Community of St Andrew, 1883*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Gwagwalada** *(Nigeria)*

Bp Moses Bukpe Tabwaye

* **Newcastle East Deanery:**

**Benefice: Walker**

Priest in Charge: Phil Medley

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* Central Walker C of E Primary School
* Walker Technology College
* **Praying for Unity:**

For the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle

Bishop: Stephen Wright

* All living with mobility difficulties

**19 Friday**

Gregory, bishop of Nyassa, and his sister Macrina, deaconess, teachers of the faith, c.394 and c.379

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Haiti** *(ECUSA)*

Bp Jean Zache Duracin

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

For all who are involved in, and developing, the Deanery Planning Process

* All who live with invisible disabilities

**20 Saturday**

*Margaret of Antioch, martyr, 4th cent.*

*Bartolomé de las Casas, apostle to the Indies, 1566*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Hanuato’o** *(Melanesia)*

Bp Alfred Karibongi

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Partners in Community Action (PICA)

(now part of Transforming Communities Together – Tyne to Tweed)

* Those who live with dyslexia

**21 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

***This week …***

*‘… and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd …’ (Mark 6.34)*

We are not left on our own, the good and compassionate shepherd searches us out; let’s pray for all who are alone, or who are feeling without purpose or direction, or those who have lost their faith that they will be found by the Good Shepherd.

* **Porvoo Communion:**

Diocese of Skara *(Church of Sweden)*

Diocese of Leeds

* **Anglican Communion:**

**The Nippon Sei Ko Kai**

Primate: Bp Luke Kenichi Muto

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Inter-Faith and Ethnic Relations Adviser: Lesley Hillary

* Those living with any form of dyspraxia

**22 MARY MAGDALENE**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Harare** *(Central Africa)*

Bp Farai Mutamiri

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches: Roger Styring (Chair)

Lucy Burfield (Secretary) and

Tim Lewthwaite (Church Buildings Support Officer)

* Those who live with chronic and/or frequent migraines

**23 Tuesday**

*Bridget of Sweden, abbess of Vadstena, 1373*

*John Cassian monk, 435 [CNS]*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Hawaii** *(ECUSA)*

Bp Robert Fitzpatrick

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

House and Glebe Committee:

Roger Windass (Chair) Ian Beswick (Property Manager) and Alison Campbell (Property Administrator)

* Those living with mental health issues

**24 Wednesday**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Hereford**

Bp Richard Jackson

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Finance Department: Tom Royle,

Gillian Green and Elaine Breen

* Those who live with ME/Chronic Fatigue syndrome

**25 JAMES THE APOSTLE**

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Southern Highlands** *(Tanzania)*

Bp Julius Lugendo

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Diocesan Secretary: Shane Waddle

* Those living with learning difficulties
* **Praying for Unity:**

For those in our region who belong to the Orthodox family of churches

**26 Friday**

Anne and Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Highveld** *(Southern Africa)*

Bp Charles Mthetheledi May

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Communications Department: Rod Stuart, Leigh Johnson, Joseph Tulip and

Bethany Browning

* Those living with severe food allergies

**27 Saturday**

*Brooke Foss Westcott, bishop of Durham, teacher of the faith, 1901 [CNS]*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Eastern Himalayas** *(United Church of North India)*

Bp Roshan Thapa

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Safeguarding Department:

Carol Butler, Donna Brown and

Maggi Creese

* All charities and volunteers supporting disabled people

**28 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

***This week …***

*‘”There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?”’ (John 6.9)*

Andrew and the other disciples are clutching at straws in the face of an insurmountable challenge, yet Jesus takes what little we offer and transforms situations in unexpected and surprising ways; as we face overwhelming challenges in our communities and churches let’s pray for our renewed faith in our transforming God.

* **Porvoo Communion:**

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Lithuania

Diocese of Derry and Raphoe *(Ireland)*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East**

Primate: Most Revd Hosam Naoum

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Administrative Lead: Ruth O’Hagan

* Pray for those who struggle to access the help they need to live with disability

**29 Monday**

Mary, Martha and Lazarus, companions of Our Lord

* **Anglican Communion**

**Diocese of Ho** *(West Africa)*

Bp Matthias Mededues-Badohu

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee: Liz Kerry (Chair) and

Phil Ambrose (Secretary)

* All who live with Asperger’s syndrome

*Please pray for all attending today’s meeting of the Bishop’s Council.*

**30 Tuesday**

William Wilberforce, social reformer, 1833

* **Porvoo Communion:**

Diocese of Bristol

Diocese of Helsinki *(Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland)*

* **Anglican Communion**

**Diocese of Hokkaido** *(Nippon Sei Ko Kai)*

Bp Maria Grace Tazu Sasamori

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

Administrative staff at Church House:

Karen Hunter, Kyrinn Gill and

Candis Carr

* Pray for the emergence of a renewed Disability Task Group in the diocese

**31 Wednesday**

*Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, 1556*

* **Anglican Communion:**

**Diocese of Honduras** *(ECUSA)*

Bp Lloyd Allen

* **Diocese of Newcastle:**

North East Religious Resources Centre at Church House

Director: Karenza Passmore

* Pray that each church and deanery may grow in the awareness of disability, and in making worship and church life accessible to all.

**About this Prayer Diary**

We continue to include in the Prayer Diary all those commemorated in **Celebrating the Northern Saints**, [CNS] and to remember our lay, residentiary and honorary canons on the day of the saints and influential people who have given their canonry its designation and/or stall in the Cathedral.

**Each week**, there is a short stimulus to prayer, normally based on the Sunday Gospel, to guide our next steps in ***Seeking, Sharing, Sending.*** We are grateful to Bishop Mark for these reflections.

***ON SUNDAYS***, we follow a well-established pattern:

* First are intercessions for the Porvoo Communion (https://www.ireland.anglican.org/resources/493/porvoo-prayer-diary-2024). The Porvoo Declaration commits the churches which have signed it to “share a common life” and “to pray for and with one another.”
* Second are intercessions from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, available at [www.anglicancommunion.org](http://www.anglicancommunion.org). Prayers on Sundays are for a Province of the Communion.
* Thirdly we remember our own Diocese of Newcastle, and the Newcastle East Deanery, their churches, people and organisations, including Church Schools.
* Lastly we pray for people living with a range of disabilities, using a list compiled several years ago. Suggestions for making this list more extensive will be welcome.

***ON WEEKDAYS,*** the pattern is similar on weekdays, but without the Porvoo Communion:

* Firstly, dioceses from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer
* Secondly, our own Diocese, and the people, parishes, churches and schools in Newcastle East Deanery
* Thirdly, people living with disabilities
* On the first Thursday, we pray for the work of the Mothers’ Union in the Diocese, and on subsequent Thursdays for Christian unity.

We pray for our **Link Dioceses** as follows:

Botswana during January, April and October.

Møre during March, June and September.

Winchester during May, August and November.

The **Deaneries** are incorporated in the Prayer Diary in such a way as to include the **Benefices** (with names of ordained and lay ministers) and also, for benefices with more than one church, the constituent **churches**, in order that every congregation – and the local community in which it is set - can be remembered at least once during the year.

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| January | Morpeth (cont.) and Norham | July | Newcastle East |
| February | Bedlington | August | Newcastle West |
| March | Bellingham | September | Tynemouth |
| April | Corbridge | October | Alnwick |
| May | Hexham | November | Bamburgh & Glendale |
| June | Newcastle Central | December | Morpeth |

I try to mark important days in the life of the Diocese (e.g. Diocesan Synods, Institutions and Licensings, ecumenical occasions) with a special note, but can only do so if I have the information early in the previous month. **Please don’t hesitate to send me information and prompts in good time.**

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