



growing church bringing hope

generous engaged open

Diocese of Newcastle Prayer Diary August 2022



We continue to pray daily for God's blessing on the Lambeth Conference of bishops from across the Anglican Communion, which began on 26th July and ends on 7th

August. Pray for Bishop Mark who is attending the event.

This week ...

'... one's life does not consist in an abundance of possessions ...' (Luke 12:15)

The Parable of the Rich Fool cuts to the heart of what we value and how we share, or not, the good things that God gives us; let's pray for a generous spirit in the Church, that even when resources are squeezed and many impoverished we might respond with God's abundant grace and be ready to share to share what we have been given.

1 Monday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Matlosane (Southern Africa)
Bp Stephen Diseko
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Diocesan Bishop: vacant
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Area Dean: James McGowan
Assistant Area Dean: Allison Harding

2 Tuesday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mauritius (Indian Ocean)
Vacant see
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
David Williams, Bishop of Basingstoke
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Lay Chair: Meg Fisher

3 Wednesday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mbaise (Nigeria)
Bp Chamberlain Chinedu Ogunedu
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Debbie Sellin, Bishop of Southampton and Acting Bishop of Winchester
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Deanery Secretary: vacant
Finance Officer: Janice Stait

4 Thursday

Jean-Baptiste Vianney, curé d'Ars, spiritual guide, 1859

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mbale (Uganda)
Bp Patrick Gidudu
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Richard Brand, Archdeacon of Winchester; the Archdeaconry of Bournemouth is vacant.
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benwell and Scotswood Team Ministry
Team Rector: David Kirkwood
Team Vicar: Dominic Coad
Assistant Curate: Christopher Minchin
Reader: Kathleen Germain
- **The Mothers' Union:**
For the work of Norma Wilmot and MU members who provide support to prisons in our diocese.

5 Friday

Oswald, king of Northumbria, martyr, 642 [CNS *]

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of North Mbale (Uganda)
Bp Samuel Gidudu
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Andrew Robinson, Chief Executive
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
St James' Parish Church, Benwell
- * Canon Pete Askew, Bishop's Chaplain and Adviser

6 TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mbamili (Nigeria)
Bp Henry Okeke
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Catherine Ogle, Dean of Winchester, and the
Cathedral Chapter
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
St John's Church, Benwell

This week ...

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.' (Luke 12:32)

How often does fear prevent us from receiving that which God is giving to us? Let us pray that we might grow in faith, and have the courage to say 'yes' to God, that God's Kingdom might grow and bless many.

7 EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- **Porvoo Communion:**
Diocese of Portsmouth
Diocese of Stockholm (*Church of Sweden*)
- **Anglican Communion:**
The Church in the Province of the West Indies Primate: Most Revd Howard Gregory
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
The Benefice of Chandler's Ford (in the
Eastleigh Deanery)
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
The Church of the Venerable Bede, Benwell

8 Monday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mbeere (Kenya)
Bp Moses Masamba Nthukah
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Eastleigh
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Cornerstone Benwell

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www.newcastle.anglican.org/prayerdiary

9 Tuesday

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union, 1921

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mbashe (Southern Africa)
Bp Elliot Williams
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Fair Oak
- **Newcastle West Deanery**
Benefice of Chapel House
Holy Nativity Parish Church
Priest in Charge: Waldemar Nion

10 Wednesday

Laurence, deacon at Rome, martyr, 258

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mbujimayi (Congo)
Bp: *no information*
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Hamble Le Rice
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Cowgate
St Peter's Parish Church
Vicar: *vacant*
Reader: Susan Smith

11 Thursday

Clare of Assisi, founder of the Poor Clares, 1253
John Henry Newman, priest, tractarian, 1890

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Meath and Kildare (Ireland)
The Most Revd Patricia Storey
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Hedge End St John the Evangelist, and Hedge End St Luke
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Denton
Parish Church of the Holy Spirit
Priest in Charge: Neil Heslop
- **Praying for Unity**
For all ecumenical holiday clubs and activities

12 Friday

*George Stephenson, engineer, 1848 [CNS *]*

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Medak (South India)
Bp A C Solomon Raj
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Hound

- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Elswick
Parish Church of St Stephen and St Paul
Priest-in-Charge: George Curry
- Newcastle St Paul's C of E Primary School
- * Canon Simon Harper

13 Saturday

Jeremy Taylor, bishop of Down and Connor,
teacher of the faith, 1667
Florence Nightingale, nurse, social reformer, 1910
Octavia Hill, social reformer, 1912

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Wad Medani (Sudan)
Bp Saman Farajalla Mahdi
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Stoneham and Bassett
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Fenham St James and St Basil
Vicar: James McGowan
Assistant Curate: Ryan McKeon
- Dame Allan's Schools in Fenham and Spital
Tongues Chaplain: James McGowan

This week ...

'Why do you not know how to interpret the present time?' (Luke 12:56)

It is important that we try to understand what is going on in our world from a political and social point of view, but it is also important that we interpret these things, and other issues of the present time, from a spiritual point of view too. Let us pray for God's insight into the times in which we live, that we might have greater clarity of understanding and purpose.

14 NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- **Porvoo Communion:**
Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh
(Church of Ireland)
Diocese of Aarhus (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark)
- **Anglican Communion:**
The Extra Provincial Churches (Ceylon, Bermuda, Lusitanian Church, Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain, Falkland Islands)
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Valley Park

- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Newbiggin Hall
St Wilfrid's Parish Church
Priest-in-Charge: vacant

Please pray today for the Generous Giving Team in the Diocese, and especially for their preparations for Generosity Week (25th Sept to 2nd Oct).

15 THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Central Melanesia (Melanesia)
Abp Leonard Dawea
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of West End
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Newburn
Vicar: Allison Harding
Assistant Curate: Miriam Jones

16 Tuesday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Melbourne (Australia)
Abp Philip Freier
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
The Deanery of Lyndhurst
Area Dean: Peter Salisbury
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Parish Church of St Michael and All Angels,
Newburn

17 Wednesday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Meridional (Brazil)
Bp Francisco De Assis Da Silva
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Beaulieu and Exbury and East Boldre
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Church of St Mary the Virgin, Throckley

18 Thursday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Meru (Kenya)
Bp Charles Mwendwa
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Boldre with South Baddesley
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Newcastle Holy Cross
Priest-in-Charge: Daniel McCarthy
- **Praying for Unity:**
Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

19 Friday

Oswin, king of Deira, 651 [CNS *]

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Mexico (Mexico)
Bp Carlos Touche-Porter
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Brockenhurst
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Newcastle St Philip & St Augustine and St Matthew & St Mary
Vicar: Richard Deadman
- * vacant canonry

20 Saturday

Bernard, abbot of Clairvaux, teacher of the faith, 1153

William and Catherine Booth, founders of the Salvation Army, 1912 and 1890

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Northern Mexico (Mexico)
Bp Oscar Pulido Garcia
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Colbury
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
All from the churches and wider community who are involved in the Newcastle West End Foodbank

This week ...

When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' (Luke 13:12)

Jesus healed the crippled woman on the sabbath, and was challenged for doing so by the religious authorities. Let us pray for insight into the times when we have acted like the religious authorities, and been an obstacle to God's work. May we have the courage to dismantle the walls we have built around our faith to protect tradition, and embrace God's call to act outside our comfort zone.

21 TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- **Porvoo Communion:**
Diocese of Edinburgh (Scottish Episcopal Church)
Diocese of Espoo (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Finland)

- **Anglican Communion:**
The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria
Primate: Abp Samy Fawzy
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Dibden
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
All retired clergy and readers

22 Monday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Southeastern Mexico (Mexico)
Bp Julio Trejo
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Fawley
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Ponteland
Vicar: Paul Allinson
Assistant Curates: Christine Brown and Rosemary Harrison
- Richard Coates C of E School, Ponteland

23 Tuesday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Western Mexico (Mexico)
Bp Ricardo Joel Gómez Osnaya
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Hordle
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Church of the Holy Saviour, Milbourne

24 BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Michigan (ECUSA)
Bp Bonny Perry
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Hythe
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin, Ponteland

25 Thursday

Ebba of Coldingham, abbess, 683 [CNS *]

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Eastern Michigan (ECUSA)
Provisional Bp: Prince Grenville Singh
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Lymington
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
St Margaret's Parish Church, Scotswood (in the Benwell and Scotswood Team Ministry)

- **Praying for Unity:**
For the leaders and members of the many independent charismatic/evangelical churches in our country
- * Canon Christine Brown

26 Friday

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Northern Michigan (ECUSA)
Bp Rayford Jeffrey Ray
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Lyndhurst and Emery Down and Minstead
- **Newcastle West Deanery:**
Benefice of Sugley
Parish Church of the Holy Saviour
Priest in Charge: Neil Heslop

27 Saturday

Monica, mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Western Michigan (ECUSA)
Provisional Bp: Prince Grenville Singh
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Marchwood
- **Newcastle West Deanery**
Benefice: Whorlton St John
Priest in Charge: Matthew Hunter
Readers: Simon Embleton and Anne Morris

This week ...

“Friend, move up higher” (Luke 14:10)

Jesus reminds us that the humble will be exalted, and that we should put those in greatest need first. Let us pray for God’s grace to take the lower seat, and to seek out those in our neighbourhoods who have greater needs than our own.

28 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- **Porvoo Communion:**
Diocese of Turku (*Evangelical Lutheran Church in Finland*)
Diocese of York

- **Anglican Communion:**
The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
Primates: Abp Philip Richardson and Abp Don Tamihere
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Milford-On-Sea
- **Newcastle Diocese:**
Our ministry to tourists and pilgrims

29 Monday

Beheading of John the Baptist

- **Anglican Communion:**
Missionary Diocese of Micronesia (ECUSA)
Bp Robert Fitzpatrick
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Pennington
- **Newcastle Diocese:**
All who work in tourism and the hospitality industry

30 Tuesday

John Bunyan, spiritual writer, 1688

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Milwaukee (ECUSA)
Provisional Bp: Jeffrey D Lee
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Sway
- **Diocese of Newcastle:**
The strengthening of our links with Botswana, Møre and Winchester Dioceses

31 Wednesday

Aidan, bishop of Lindisfarne, missionary, 651
[CNS *]

- **Anglican Communion:**
Diocese of Minna (Nigeria)
Bp Daniel Abu Yisa
- **Diocese of Winchester:**
Benefice of Totton, comprising Calmore, Eling, Netley March and Testwood
- **Newcastle Diocese:**
All staff and governors preparing for the new academic year, especially in our Church Schools
- * Catherine Sourbut Groves, Archdeacon of Lindisfarne

A Prayer to use

as we await the appointment of our new Bishop

Heavenly Father, be with us, by your Holy Spirit, as we pray for the appointment of a new Bishop of Newcastle.

Send us a Shepherd after your own heart,
who will encourage us in the faith to be open to your transforming love,
generous with your transforming gifts,
engaged with your transforming work in the world,
and who will watch over your people with love.

Preserve our unity,
and guide all those involved in the appointment process,
that with prayerful hearts and honest reflection,
they will seek to discern your will,
and that we will rejoice with them
in the person who you are calling.
We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please make widespread and frequent use of this prayer in the coming weeks.

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 stimulus to prayer, normally based on the Sunday Gospel, to guide our next steps in **growing church bringing hope**. This month's reflections are provided by Canon Pete Askew, Bishop's Chaplain.

SUNDAYS

For each Sunday, we follow a well-established pattern:

- First are intercessions for the Porvoo Communion (<https://www.ireland.anglican.org/cmsfiles/pdf/news/Committee/PORVOO-PRAYER-DIARY-2022.pdf>). 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. Prayers on Sundays are for a Province of the Communion.
- Thirdly we remember our Link Diocese of Winchester.
- Lastly we remember those who lead the life and mission of the Newcastle West Deanery, its churches, people and organisations, including Church Schools, where possible, on the same day as the parish of which they are part.

WEEKDAYS

The pattern is similar on weekdays, but without the Porvoo Communion:

- Firstly, dioceses from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer.
- Secondly, the life and mission of the church in the Winchester Diocese
- Thirdly, parishes, churches, schools and other groups and areas of work in the Newcastle West Deanery.
- On Thursdays, we pray for the work of the Mothers' Union in the Diocese (first week) and for Christian Unity (subsequent weeks).

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.

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.**