

Churches
Together
in Malvern

**Praying
Together**

2015

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: January 18th – 25th

Sunday 18th Jan: Pulpit exchanges throughout the town.
Sunday 25th Jan at 4pm: United Service at St Joseph's

For each church in this prayer list, please pray for:

its clergy (listed by name)

its lay leaders, church council/leaders meeting

dealing with: pastoral matters

mission

finance

property

its congregation, that all members will grow in their own faith

its fellowships

its Junior Church/Sunday School – pupils and teachers

those who clean and manage the premises

its choir, music groups and organist(s)

those who arrange the flowers

Please pray, too, for all Christians of whatever denomination, especially those known to you, in their daily lives, at work, at home, in the community, etc.

Week Please pray for:
starting:

4-Jan **Lyttelton Well**

Council of Management & office staff; the Revd Chris Copeland, Chaplain. All who help in the office, bookshop, kitchen, and coffee shop as volunteers or staff; those involved in the counselling service; all who call in seeking spiritual or physical refreshment, or resources.

11-Jan **Little Malvern Priory.**

Canon Eric Knowles. Members of the Air Training Corps (Cadets, Staff, Civilian Committee and Chaplains); Agricultural & Rural Life Chaplaincy, Farming Community Network. Link with Chaplaincy at Long Lartin Prison.

- 18-Jan Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (to 25th January).
The various events during Unity Week. The work of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and of Churches Together in England; Churches Together in Malvern - for its officers and for a greater understanding of each other and a deeper commitment amongst its member churches "to be one". Also, the work of the Malvern Hills Foyer Project, both residents and staff, on this Homeless Sunday.
- 25-Jan **St. Joseph's Church, Newtown Road.**
Mgr Patrick Kilgarriff; the Revd Long Hoang Nguyen. Ruth Hopkins, Pastoral Assistant. The One World Group, with their support in Guyana, Bolivia and India; links with Fr Vincent Ole Tendue among the Maasai in Tanzania; weekly Gospel Share; the SVP group. St Joseph's School. The Unity Week ecumenical service this afternoon.
- 1-Feb **St Matthias' Church, Malvern Link**
The Revd Peter Knight (Vicar), The Revds Chris Copeland, Anthony Gann and Mary Nobles (retired priests, assisting); Joan Copeland, Eileen Tomlin and Mike Hancox (Readers); Br Peter Coombes, Richard and Sue Tandy (Authorised Lay Ministers); community use of the Link Room; St Matthias CE Primary School; Dyson Perrins CE Sports College.
- 8-Feb **Eden Church, Somers Road**
Pastor Mike Dibbens. Elders, SLT, Management Team, Community Equip (House Groups), Prophetic Focus, CAP, Equip, Youth, Disabled Christian Fellowship and Parent/Toddlers groups. For an increase in the miraculous and His presence with us. The Marriage Preparation Course on Saturday
- 15-Feb Commercial and Industrial Businesses
Factory, office and shop workers; those who work from home; the self-employed and those with no employment; the local Job-centre. Also, on Poverty Action Sunday, the Malvern Hills Food Bank.
- 22-Feb **Lansdowne Crescent Methodist Church**
The Revd Alison Richards; Anne Rich, Lay Pastoral Support Worker. Footsteps Sunday School. Tuesday Café. The Lansdowne Question Time Debate series. The Justice & Peace Event in the Church this afternoon. With Fairtrade Fortnight starting tomorrow, all those businesses and organisations promoting fairly traded goods. Meeting of Churches Together in Malvern on Monday.
- 1-Mar **Holy Trinity Church, North Malvern**
The Revds David Nichol, Emma Goldby. The Grove School, Northleigh C of E School. Women's World Day of Prayer on Friday; its organising committee. The Malvern Science and Faith Weekend starting on Friday.

- 8-Mar Spring into Life Mission to local schools 9th-17th March
Window Box Theatre Company performing "Masters & Menials" in 13 Primary Schools; the three teams of local Christians following up this play with lessons for years 5 and 6 and assemblies for the whole school; Mark Greenwood leading the team serving in Dyson Perrins, The Chase and Malvern St James Secondary Schools; the prayer space being established in each school. The 4500 young people that they will respond to the good news of Jesus; that barriers will be broken down amongst both staff and pupils; that the Mission will be supported prayerfully and financially.
- 15-Mar **St. Andrew's Church, Poolbrook.**
The Revd Paul Finch; those from St Mary's, All Saints and St Andrew's who are involved in planning for and appointing Paul's successor. The Octagon Coffee Shop and Church plus the Youth Club on Fridays; Chase High School. The Divorce Recovery Workshop Mission Shaped Community. Our Mission Partners: Misha, Ruzslan, Karlos and the Church of the Living God in Ukraine, Nick in Greenwich, Mike in Beirut leading the Lebanon Bible Society, Ben & Katy Ray in Iringa Tanzania.
- 22-Mar **St Mary's Church, Pickersleigh**
Rev'd Lynne Sparkes, The Mission Shaped Community on Pickersleigh, Refresh Community Cafe, Pickersleigh Bears, 6Towns Credit Union Drop it in Centre.
- 29-Mar **Malvern Hills Elim Church, West Malvern**
Pastor Andy Paterson. The Elim Pentecostal Centre and Regents Theological College.
- 5-Apr The Day of Resurrection
- 12-Apr **United Reformed Church, Malvern Link**
The Revd Duncan Tuck. Sonshine Café Service all age worship.
- 19-Apr **Upper Welland Methodist Church.**
The Revd Alison Richards; Anne Rich, Lay Pastoral Support Worker. A community working together in mission. Regular coffee mornings and light-bite lunches in support of AgeUK Malvern and Action for Children. Use of the premises for peaceful rural retreats.
- 26-Apr Uniformed Organisations
Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, Guides, Brownies, Rainbows, members of the Boys and Girls Brigades; Red Cross; St John's Ambulance Cadets; Army Cadets; Sea Cadets; Air Cadets; their leaders

- 3-May The District, Town and Parish Councils of the Malverns; Worcestershire County Council; Malvern Hills Conservators
Councillors, employees; those involved in provision of refuse and other environmental services. The Local and General Elections on Thursday.
- 10-May Christian Aid Week
Local Christian Aid committee; the house-to-house collectors this week. The United Sunset Service for Ascension Day on Thursday. MPs and Councillors elected last week.
- 17-May **St Mary's Church, Guarlford**
The Revd Sue Irwin, Readers Ros Davies, Rosemary Wells and Julia Davis; Authorised Lay Minister Barbara Hill. Link with Masasi Diocese in Tanzania.
- 24-May **The Church of the Ascension, Somers Park Avenue**
The Revd Peter Knight (Vicar), The Revds Chris Copeland, Anthony Gann and Mary Nobles (retired priests, assisting); Joan Copeland, Eileen Tomlin and Mike Hancox (Readers); Br Peter Coombes, Richard and Sue Tandy (Authorised Lay Ministers); greater community use of the church building; Somers Park Primary School; The Ascension Nursery and other hall users; Dyson Perrins CE Sports College.
- 31-May Local campaigning groups
With World Environment Day on Friday, for churches and congregations to have an increasing awareness of, and desire to take action for, environmental issues and initiatives to limit the adverse impact of human activity on the climate and the earth. Transition Malvern Hills.
- 7-Jun Hotels, Guest Houses
all involved in the tourist trade of our town; the Tourist Information Centre. Three Counties Agricultural Showground; visitors to the district. AGM of Churches Together in Malvern on Monday
- 14-Jun **Salvation Army, Newtown Road**
Lieutenant Leanne Wallis; work with mothers and toddlers. Also, the local Amnesty International group. Refugees, asylum seekers and immigrants; those who work in the immigration system.

- 21-Jun **Great Malvern Priory**
The Revd John Barr, The Revds Dr Mary Barr, Dr Ali Gray; Malvern College and Malvern Parish School; the Priory's welcome ministry to tourists, pilgrims and visitors from far and wide. Lifepath Malvern 2015 all week when children from Years 4, 5 and 6 in our local schools will be spending a day at the Priory.
- 28-Jun **Holly Mount United Reformed Church**
The Revd Duncan Tuck. The PILOTS Young People's Group. Seeds For Life project with Years 3 and 4 from local schools.
- 5-Jul **Beauchamp Chapel, Newland**
Fr Peter Noakes; Mrs Lesley Lewis (Warden) and members of the Beauchamp Community
- 12-Jul **Medical and dental surgeries**
Doctors, dentists, nurses, surgery reception staff; district nurses, midwives, health visitors.
- 19-Jul **St James' Church, Callow End**
The Revd Sue Irwin, Readers Rosemary Wells, Ros Davies and Julia Davis. Callow End C of E School.
- 26-Jul **Residential, rest and nursing homes, hospices.**
Residents, staff; all who provide day care to people in their own homes and in day care centres. St Michael's, St Richard's and Acorns Hospices.
- 2-Aug **The Longdon Benefice of 4 Churches**
The Revd Chris Moss. Dr Michael Harper, reader. Castlemorton CE Primary School, Bredon School; Tuesday Club
- 9-Aug **Gospel Hall, Cowleigh Road**
The Elders; the outreach to Hastings on the 3rd Sunday of each month.
- 16-Aug **Malvern Evangelical Church, Pickersleigh Road.**
Dr Leston Blackburn; Worship and Fellowship in other locations during the rebuilding of the church premises. Rainbow Club; Sunday Club, Xplosion, Songs of Praise, Coffee & Chat; Holiday Club; Alpha Course.
- 23-Aug **Somers Park Avenue Methodist Church**
The Revd Alison Richards; Anne Rich, Lay Pastoral Support Worker. Junior Church. Sunrise Holiday Club starting tomorrow; Pied Piper pre-school group; Messy Church. Somers Park Primary School.
- 30-Aug **The Source Church**
Drew and Kerry Jenks. An Elim Pentecostal church meeting at Dyson Perrins School

- 6-Sep Local primary and secondary schools, both maintained and independent. At the start of the academic year, pupils, teachers and other staff; PTAs; Governors; Malvern Schools' Prayer Support Group; pre-school groups.
- 13-Sep **St Peter's Church, Powick**
The Revd Sue Irwin, Readers Rosemary Wells, Ros Davies and Julia Davis, Authorised Lay Ministers Meg Allsopp and Terry Maple; Powick C of E School.
- 20-Sep **The Society of Friends, Orchard Road**
With the International Day of Peace (World Peace Day) tomorrow, the cessation of conflict across the world. Also, courage to all those inviting friends and neighbours "back to church" next Sunday.
- 27-Sep **The Baptist Church, Abbey Road**
Colin Clutterbuck, Church Secretary, as the church searches for a new minister. Rock Solid Youth Group; Wednesday Children's Club; the Housegroup Programme; the 1st Malvern Boys' Brigade and 7th Malvern Girls' Brigade.
- 4-Oct **Malvern Community Hospital**
Staff and patients. The Chaplain.
- 11-Oct **St. James' Church, West Malvern**
The Revds David Nichol, Rosemary Herbert and Emma Goldby; St James' C of E Primary School.
- 18-Oct One World Week
Malvern Churches Justice & Peace Group. Beacons Development Education Centre.
- 25-Oct **St Peter's Church, Cowleigh Bank**
The Revd Peter Knight (Vicar), The Revds Chris Copeland, Anthony Gann and Mary Nobles (retired priests, assisting); Joan Copeland, Eileen Tomlin and Mike Hancox (Readers); Br Peter Coombes, Richard and Sue Tandy (Authorised Lay Ministers); further community use of the church building, including the Arts Co-op; Northleigh CE Primary School; Dyson Perrins CE Sports College.
- 1-Nov **All Saints, Wells and Wyche.**
Those carrying extra responsibilities during the vacancy. The Wells C of E and Wyche C of E Primary Schools; The Chace Rest Home. The development of Messy Church and Mission Community at the Wells Club. Mission Partners Julio in Peru, Mark and Emma Greenwood in UK, Mike Bassous in Beirut leading the Lebanon Bible Society

- 8-Nov **Malvern Hills Life Church**
David Bray and the new leadership. Church plant of the Newfrontiers family of churches meeting at Malvern Vale Community Centre; its youth outreach and children's work; community involvement
- 15-Nov The Media
Our local newspapers and radio stations; reporters, presenters and editors; church newsletter/magazine editors and distributors, notice secretaries. At the start of Prisons Week, local prisons, prisoners and their families, prison chaplains, victims of crime, all those working in the judicial system. The meeting of Churches Together in Malvern on Monday
- 22-Nov **Christ Church, Avenue Road**
The Ven. Robert Jones, Canon Harold Goddard. The developing links with Malvern Parish School and Malvern St James School. The re-roofing of the Church. Cultural outreach through music and the arts; links with Malvern Civic Society
- 29-Nov **St Wulstan's Church, Little Malvern**
Fr. Edward Crouzet. On World AIDS Day (Tuesday) all those suffering from HIV/AIDS, those who treat them and those who fight against it.
- 6-Dec The Bible Society
The local Action Group and its Chair, the Revd Chris Brown, and Secretary, Heather Williamson. The inter-denominational 'Open The Book' initiative into Primary Schools. Also, the work of The Gideons International.
- 13-Dec **St Mary's Church, Madresfield with Newland**
The Revd Sue Irwin, Readers Ros Davies, Rosemary Wells and Julia Davis; Link with Masasi Diocese in Tanzania; Madresfield C of E School.
- 20-Dec Emergency services
The police, fire brigade and ambulance staff. Also, children and families in special need, and those who care for them, foster carers, social workers. The Evergreen and Sunshine Children's Centres; the Plumtree Women's Refuge; the local foster care agencies
- 27-Dec Voluntary Organisations of our town
Community Action, Citizens Advice Bureau, Age UK, Home-Start, Positive Thoughts (formerly Malvern MIND), Malvern Special Families, ...