

Diocese of York Prayer Diary - July 2021

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Thursday 1st July. Henry, John and Henry Venn, priests, evangelical divines, 1797, 1813, 1873

Wakefield Cathedral

The Very Revd Simon Cowling.

Wakefield Cathedral is one of the three cathedrals that serve the whole Diocese of Leeds from the borders of County Durham in the north to Barnsley in the south. Our immediate context is post-industrial with all the associated challenges. Please pray particularly for the ministry of our new Canon Missioner, Peter Farley-Moore, as he works to develop our missionary confidence and our calling to be a resource for the whole diocese.

Diocese of Colombo. Extra Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Friday 2nd July.

The Church of England Recovery Group

The Right Reverend Sarah Mullally, Bishop of London.

Please pray for the ongoing challenges we face as a country and church as we move towards recovery from the pandemic and for Government as it makes decisions while trying to balance many factors.

Diocese of Colorado. The Episcopal Church.

Saturday 3rd July. Thomas the Apostle

Ordination of Priests by their respective Bishops

Pray for those to be ordained today and tomorrow, and for the benefices where they are serving, giving thanks for God's call to them and praying for a fresh filling of the Holy Spirit.

Diocese of Connecticut. The Episcopal Church.

Sunday 4th July. 5th Sunday after Trinity

Mowbray Deanery

Area Dean: The Revd Fiona Mayer-Jones; Lay Dean: Peter Gardner.

The deanery covers the two market towns of Northallerton and Thirsk, and surrounding villages. Please pray for farmers and local businesses and the vulnerable in our neighbourhoods, giving thanks for our communities' response to those in particular need among us.

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

Monday 5th July

St Thomas, Brompton; All Saints, Deighton; St Leonard, Welbury; St Lawrence, East Rounton; St Oswald, West Rounton

Clergy: The Revd Jonathan Cooper.

Pray for our continuing worship and our partnership with the Methodists. Pray for those who have been isolated this past year, that we would be able to reach out to them with love.

Diocese of Connor. The Church of Ireland.

Tuesday 6th July. Thomas More, scholar, and John Fisher, bishop, martyr, 1535

St Peter, Osmotherley; St Oswald, East Harlsey; All Saints, Ingleby Arncliffe

Clergy: The Revd Dianne Gamble, The Revd Bill Dewing; Churchwardens: Eileen Bellett, David Owst, Peter Gardner, Barbara Poole; RPAs: Peter Gardner, Barbara Poole.

We give thanks for signs of growth, continued local community support, and involvement in St Peter's life and development; new worship opportunities using new multimedia facilities; for Osmotherley Primary and preschools; local businesses recovering from the pandemic and the church community and leaders continuing to find new and appropriate ways of being Church. Please also pray for the ongoing worship at St Oswald's and for the 200-year anniversary of the rebuilt church, and the ongoing worship at All Saints'.

Diocese of Cork, Cloyne & Ross. The Church of Ireland.

Wednesday 7th July.

St Michael, Cowesby; St Felix, Felixkirk; Holy Trinity, Boltby; St Wilfrid, Kirkby Knowle; St Mary, Leake; All Saints, Nether Silton; St Mary, Over Silton; Kepwick Memorial Chapel; Knayton CE VC Primary Academy

Clergy: The Revd Dianne Gamble, The Revd Bill Dewing; Curate: Kate Brown; Churchwardens: Paul Cooper, Jean West, Mark Badminton, Isabelle Dalton, John Furness, Dorothy Fairburn, David Smethurst, Tom Selmes, Christine Challis, Angus Wallace.

We give thanks for being able to begin our return to in-church worship alongside our Zoom worship. Pray with us as we discern what opportunities there are to reach out to our communities through our worship and service. **Diocese of Costa Rica. Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.**

Thursday 8th July.

St Oswald, Sowerby; St Cuthbert, Sessay; All Saints, Thirkleby; St Mary, Bagby; St Mary, Kilburn; Sessay CE Primary School

Clergy: Vacant; Assistant Curate: The Revd Pauline Percy; Retired Clergy: The Revd Sandra Howells; Reader: David Brooke.

We give thanks for the appointment of a new Priest-in-Charge, The Revd David Biggs, and pray for him as he is installed at the end of this month; for the Youth Team as they prepare for the summer Holiday Club; and also for schools - Sessay CE School, Sowerby Primary, Thirsk Secondary, and Keble Gateway - that children and staff may be refreshed and renewed ready for a new school year in September.

Diocese of Coventry. The Church of England.

Friday 9th July.

National General Synod

Dean: The Right Revd Jonathan Frost; Pastor: The Revd Canon Michael Smith; Missioner: The Revd Canon Maggie McLean; Precentor: The Revd Canon Vicky Johnson; Succentor: The Revd Catriona Cumming; Curate: The Revd Abi Davison; Chapter Steward: Kathryn Blacker.

Pray for all the members of General Synod, that they would be wise in their speech, attentive in their listening to each other and to God, and discerning in their decision-making.

Diocese of Cuba. The Episcopal Church.

Saturday 10th July.

Baldersby Mission Room; St James, Baldersby; Rainton Mission Room; St John the Evangelist, Dalton; St John, Skipton on Swale; St Columba, Topcliffe; Baldersby St James, Dishforth; Topcliffe CE Primary School

Clergy: Vacant; Retired Clergy: The Revd Terry Dyer; Churchwarden: Norman Wharton.

Please pray for all our churches in our benefice and also the village schools. Thanks to our parishioners who have taken on the extra responsibilities during our long vacancy.

Diocese of Cueibet. The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

Sunday 11th July. 6th Sunday after Trinity

The Mission to Seafarers - Sea Sunday

The second Sunday in July, is when we come together across the globe to celebrate the role seafarers play in our daily lives. To thank them for the hardships they face and the sacrifices they have been forced to endure due to the Covid lockdowns. You can join with your church, community group, school or individually. From London to Lagos and Manila to Melbourne, our community gathers together to give something back to these essential workers who spend months away from their families in often difficult conditions to help keep our global economy afloat. (Information extracted from www.missiontoseafarers.org website.)

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

Monday 12th July.

St Lawrence, Carlton Miniott; St Leonard, Sandhutton; St Mary, Thirsk; St Wilfrid, South Kilvingon; South Kilvington CE Primary

Clergy: The Revd Derek Simpson; Multiply Minister: The Revd Mary Rolls.

We give thanks for signs of God at work in our church and in Multiply ministry. We pray for many people to come to know Jesus' love and the hope he brings.

Diocese of Cuernavaca. La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico.

Tuesday 13th July.

St Lawrence, Kirby Sigston; All Saints, Northallerton; St James, Romanby

Clergy: The Revd Fiona Mayer-Jones; Curate: Claire Soderman; 20s-40s Minister: The Revd David Johnson; Children and Families Minister: Donneta Thomas; Retired Clergy: The Rt Revd Gordon Bates, The Revd Lesley Ashton, The Revd William Thackray, The Revd Canon Steven Harvey, The Revd Terry Dyer, The Revd Gill Dyer, The Revd Mel King; Readers: Malcolm Mace, Pauline Goodrum, Peter Carrotte, Di Pownell; RPAs: Carol Hainsworth, Jill Walley, Peter Harbord, Julia Staves, Steven Hogg; Churchwardens: Peter Andrew, Mike Smith, Ray Thompson, Tony Welsh.

Please pray for our local schools especially the secondary school; for those in the community struggling with loneliness or mental health issues; for the young people of our town and surrounding villages; and for farmers and those facing increased financial pressure.

Diocese of Cuttack. The (united) Church of North India.

Wednesday 14th July. John Keble, priest, poet, 1866

St Andrew, South Otterington; St Michael and All Angels, North Otterington; St Leonard, Thornton Le Street; South Otterington CE Primary

Clergy: Vacant; Reader: Tricia Richardson; Churchwardens: Chris March, Ken Richardson; Headteacher: Amanda Gledhill

Please pray for the right person to come for the vacant house-for-duty position in the Thorntons and Otteringtons. Also, as restrictions are lifted we pray for our church school and the seven young people from the school being confirmed this term.

Diocese of Cyangugu. Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

Thursday 15th July. Swithun, bishop, c. 862. Bonaventure, friar, bishop.

teacher of the

faith, 1274

Selby Deanery

Area Dean: The Revd Canon Chris Wilton; Lay Dean: Janys Cliff.

Please pray for the parishes of Cawood, Wistow and Ryther and for Ledsham and Fairburn as we seek to discern God's guidance for these vacant parishes; for the Deanery Leadership Team, Chapter and Synod in exploring the ways in which the Deanery can live Christ's Story; and for a fruitful outcome for the work of the team working with the Children of Light initiative.

Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf. The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

Friday 16th July. Osmund, bishop, 1099

St Ricarius, Aberford; St James, Lotherton; St Mary, Micklefield; All Saints, Saxton; Holy Trinity, Barkston Ash; All Saints, Sherburn in Elmet; Aberford, Micklefield; Saxton CE Primary Schools

Clergy: The Revd Canon Chris Wilton, The Revd Nick Plant, The Revd Wendy Plant, The Revd Phil Grayson, The Revd Caroline Comer-Stone; Readers: John Taylor, Norman Sutcliffe.

Give thanks that the easing of Covid restrictions means that we are able to meet across the benefices in person and that we are excited about what the future may hold for us. Give thanks also for Caroline Comer-Stone joining us as part-time SSM (self-supporting minister) Assistant Curate. Please pray with us for God to give us a fresh vision for what he is calling his Church to be and do in this place in this new season, and for the faith and courage to open our hearts to new things. Please pray for wisdom and resources as we work with our sister churches across the Deanery to discern the best way of providing ministry across all our communities. **Diocese of Daejeon. The Anglican Church of Korea.**

Saturday 17th July.

St Mary and St Germain (Selby Abbey); Selby Abbey CE Primary

Clergy: The Revd Canon John Weetman, The Revd Dan Thomas, The Revd Dr Julie Watson, The Revd Neil Woodhall; Retired Clergy: The Revd Paul Finlinson, The Ven John Hawley; Reader-in-Training: Karen Banks; Churchwardens: Elaine Exley, Sue Tagert; Headteacher: Mrs Jo Jennings.

Thank you to God for our staff, volunteers and congregations as we seek to live out our goals of Welcome, Worship and Witness in the Abbey and in school, in our homes and places of work, in our town and district; and for all those from near and far - that we are able to serve in Christ's name in the coming weeks and months. **Diocese of North Dakota. The Episcopal Church.**

Sunday 18th July. 7th Sunday after Trinity

St Mary, Carlton; St Peter and St Paul, Drax

Clergy: The Revd Anna Burr; The Revd Becky Allright; Retired Clergy: The Revd George Greenhough, The Revd Canon Cyril Roberts; Reader: Alister Burr; Churchwarden: Margaret Henshall.

As we emerge from the pandemic we give thanks for the faithfulness of those who have served the community and the church in so many ways. We give thanks for the new Café Church which meets each Sunday and pray that this will develop into a strong new worshipping community of growing disciples. Pray for our exploration of new ways of engaging with our community and especially the project in Drax with the University of York, looking at our interesting and complex heritage and using that knowledge to find new ways to share our faith. Pray for Rev Becky's work with schools and the team running a new Toddler group in Camblesforth. **Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.**

Monday
19th July.
Gregory, bishop,
and his sister
Macrina, deaconess,
teachers of the
faith, c.394 and
c.379

St Wilfrid, Brayton; St Francis of Assisi, Thorpe Willoughby; Brayton; Barlow CE Primary Schools

Clergy: The Revd Pete Watson, The Revd Rob Suekarran (20s-40s Multiply Minister); Retired Clergy: The Revd Roy Shaw, The Revd Paul Finlinson; Reader: Jackie Jackman.

Thanksgiving for our large volunteer community support team and online ministry and mission through the pandemic: weekly YouTube services and weekly "Pete in Touch" school worships/assemblies, Zoom women's and men's groups; young people's The Zone; Friday Fun Club (for preschoolers and parents/carers). Please pray for Brayton Primary School, for another time of uncertainty around leadership changes.

Diocese of South Dakota. The Episcopal Church.

Tuesday 20th July. Margaret of Antioch, martyr, 4th cent. Bartolomé de las Casas, Apostle to the Indies, 1566

St James the Apostle, Selby

Clergy: The Revd Jason Reid, The Revd Diane Reid; Church Army Evangelists: Capt Richard Cooke, Amy Hayes; Retired Clergy: The Revd Jill Cheverton, The Revd Derek Hadfield, The Revd Simon Hunt; Churchwarden: Calvin Russell; Readers: Mark Foster, Margaret Hunt; Reader with PTO: David Keel.

Please pray that the changes to the pattern of services from September will prove fruitful, for the launch of our 'Revive café', looking to bring physical and spiritual refreshment to local people, and that our Fresh Expression, Edge Community, will see more members returning as the fear of Covid passes.

Diocese of Dallas. The Episcopal Church.

Wednesday 21st July.

St James, Fairburn; All Saints, Ledsham; St Thomas à Becket Chapel, Ledston Hall (currently under renovation); Lady Elizabeth Hastings CE Primary

Clergy: Vacant; Churchwarden: Audrey Taylor.

Dear Lord God, look down on us with favour and help us fill all our vacant places, and help us to carry on helping our churches and school with good grace. Help us to help each other and care for the sick and look on the outer world with benevolence, especially all the war-torn places of which there are so many in our world today. Give our government the strength to guide us through all these stresses. Amen.

Diocese of Damaturu. The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Thursday 22nd July. Mary Magdalene

St Mary, Birkin; St John the Baptist, Haddlesey; St John the Baptist, Temple Hirst; St Mary, Hambleton; Chapel Haddlesey, and Hambleton CE Primary Schools

Clergy: The Revd Anna Burr; Readers: Alister Burr, Janys Cliff; Churchwardens: Debbie Penny, Christine Harvey, Philip Brunyard, David Brown.

As we think about new ways to reach out to our rural communities, and return to public worship while being mindful of those who are hesitant to do so, we pray for energy for all those who have worked so hard over this last year or so, for inspiration, and for wisdom in dealing with the care of our buildings. We give thanks for the children and staff of our schools and our links with them, and pray for the new All Age service in Hambleton. **Diocese Dar-es-Salaam. The Anglican Church of Tanzania.**

Friday 23rd July. Bridget, abbess, 1373

St Wilfrid of Ripon, Monk Fryston; St Mary, South Milford; including the villages of Burton Salmon, Hillam and Lumby; Saxton CE Primary Schools

Clergy: The Revd Peter Roberts.

Pray for perseverance and encouragement as we continue to reach out to our communities with God's love. **Diocese of Davao. The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.**

Saturday 24th July

All Saints, Cawood; All Saints Ryther; All Saints, Wistow; Cawood, and Wistow CE Primary Schools

Clergy: Vacant; Churchwardens; Susan Culkin, Nicki Williams, John Dennis, Jean Huby (also RPA).

Come in, join our family here in God's tranquil tabernacle. Underneath his everlasting care, rest, reassurance and peace are found. Christ's love surrounds us and Heaven is near.

Diocese of Saint David's. The Church of Wales.

Sunday 25th July. James the Apostle

Holy Rood House

Chaplain/Executive Director: The Revd Elizabeth Baxter.

Please join our thanksgiving as we celebrate 28 years of healing ministry with the purchase of the house and gardens. Pray for our therapeutic work, residential respite from long Covid, caring for carers, support of clergy, spiritual accompaniment into a new normal, and for all who work to make this possible.

The Scottish Episcopal Church.

Monday 26th July. Anne and Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Archdeacon of Cleveland

The Venerable Amanda Bloor.

The Archdeaconry of Cleveland is made up of the deaneries of Middlesbrough, Guisborough, Stokesley, Whitby, Mowbray and Northern Ryedale. It includes parishes in coastal communities, the university town of Middlesbrough, market towns, rural villages and across the North York Moors. We are learning how to be people living Christ's Story as we emerge from lockdown and are prayerfully engaging with the diocesan consultations. I'm thankful for good colleagues and faithful fellow disciples of Christ as we listen together to God's calling.

Diocese of Delaware. The Episcopal Church.

Tuesday 27th July. Brooke Foss Westcott, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1901

Retired Clergy in the Diocese

Give thanks for the significant contribution so many retired clergy make to the life and worship of their communities and for all those who are no longer in active ministry, including their spouses. Pray for all clergy widows and widowers and particularly for those who have felt isolated during the Covid-19 crisis. Pray for the work of the Clergy Retirement Officers: The Revd Ruth Newton (East Riding), The Revd Dianne Cox (York) and The Revd Canon Peter Bristow (Cleveland).

Diocese of Delhi. The (united) Church of North India.

Wednesday 28th July

The Cadet Forces (Sea Cadets, Army Cadets and Air Cadets)

The cadet forces inspire around 84,000 young people around the UK to take on new challenges and learn new skills – helping to build stronger, more resilient, life-ready young people. (Information extracted from www.raf.mod.uk website's Cadets Leaflet.) Pray for those children and young people and for those working with them.

Diocese of Derby. The Church of England.

Thursday 29th July. Mary, Martha and

companions of Our

Lazarus,

Lord

Queen Mary's School, Baldersby

School Chaplain: The Revd Pauline Percy.

An independent school for girls up to 16 years old. Praying for staff and girls as they take a much needed break after an extremely challenging year. Giving thanks for technology that enabled continued teaching and contact during lockdown. May the eight girls confirmed in June continue to seek and find Christ beside them in their lives

Diocese of Derry & Raphoe. The Church of Ireland.

Friday
30th July.
William Wilberforce,
social reformer,
Olaudah Equiano and
Thomas Clarkson,
anti-slavery
campaigners, 1833,

1797 and 1846

Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham

The Right Reverend Paul Williams.

We give thanks for those whom God is calling to serve and lead in our diocese; for The Revd Victoria Ramsey, welcomed as Archdeacon of Newark in June; for the 15 deacons and priests ordained at Petertide; and for God's wisdom and discernment as many parishes restart in-person ministry and reshape mission in this season of opportunity.

Diocese of Dhaka. The (united) Church of Bangladesh.

Saturday 31st July. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, 1556

Southwell Minster

Dean: The Very Reverend Nicola Sullivan.

We pray for our ministry of welcome to visitors over the summer weeks; may each one be blessed in their encounter with Southwell Minster as a 'living well of spiritual refreshment'. We give thanks for the planned completion of the three-year Chapter House Leaves project in September, a place where 'Medieval Stones meet Living Nature'.

Diocese of San Diego. The Episcopal Church.