

Wednesday 1st January: As we start a New Year look back and thank God for all that we are thankful for in 2024

Thursday 2nd January: As many people start to return to work let's pray for a successful start to their year

Friday 3rd January: Think of a business within our parish, pray for those who work there, for those who use the business, for the success of that business over this year

Saturday 4th January: As people come out of the Christmas and New Year weeks of hopeful rest and relaxation we pray that a sense of calm and restfulness continues in their lives

Sunday 5th January: As we meet a church community for the first time this year let's pray for all those in our community who volunteer their time and their gifts to us in so much abundance.

Monday 6th January: On this day of Epiphany when the Magi brought gifts to Jesus, pray on the gifts of all kinds that we can offer to him.

Tuesday 7th January: As students and staff at schools and other educational establishments return for the new term let's pray for a peaceful and positive start to this new term

Wednesday 8th January: As our school comes to Church for the first time this term we pray for all the staff and students wishing them a productive and enjoyable term

Thursday 9th January: The first verse of Psalm 67 "God be gracious to us and bless us And make his face shine upon us"
Pray for someone who you think of when saying this verse

Friday 10th January: Think of a road within our parish, pray for those who live on that road, for release of their sorrows, in joy for their achievements and that they will feel your presence.

Saturday 11th January: Today pray for one person who you would like to see God's work in their life. Pray to God that they see signs of him during the coming days

Sunday 12th January: On this Sunday where we remember the Baptism of Christ, let us pray these words from the Baptism service Heavenly Father,
by the power of your Holy Spirit
you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism.
Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love,

Monday 13th January: We pray for those in ministry in our parish. May they have the strength, the energy and resilience to carry out their roles with God at their side.

Tuesday 14th January: We pray for your creation in the green spaces in our parish. May they be looked after and flourish.

Wednesday 15th January: We are mid-way through the month. A month that can seem so long and dark. Today we pray for those who are experiencing poor mental health. That they will feel strong enough to take steps to their wellness and receive support

Thursday 16th January: 1 Corinthians 3 includes this verse used in our Diocesan vision "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth". Think of somewhere or something you think we could water so God gives us growth and pray.

Friday 17th January: Hold our parish in prayer, for those who live here, for those who work here, for those who visit, for those that know you and those who are yet to do so

Saturday 18th January: The week of Christian Unity starts today with the 1700 anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, over the next week we concentrate our prayers on parts of the Nicene Creed – We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

Sunday 19th January - We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made

Monday 20th January - For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

Tuesday 21st January - On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

Wednesday 22nd January: He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

Thursday 23rd January: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

Friday 24th January: We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the

resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Saturday 25th January: On this last day of the week of Christian Unity, bring the full Nicene Creed together, pray the words. What stands out to you the most?

Sunday 26th January: We return to pray for the person we wanted to see God's works in their life on the 11th of January. We pray this again. Seeing God working in our lives can take time so plan in some regular prayer for this person.

Monday 27th January: We pray for all those in our parish who struggle financially.

Tuesday 28th January: Psalm 46 says "God is our refuge and strength" pray today for our community to be a refuge for all that come to us, may they find welcome and belonging.

Wednesday 29th January: Today we pray thanks to all those who share their musical abilities with us each week.

Thursday 30th January: Psalm 47 starts "Clap your hands together, all you peoples; O sing to God with shouts of joy" Pray for something in your life that brings you joy, thank God for bringing this into your life

Friday 31st January: On this last day of the month, what has stood out to you the most? Lift this thought/subject/moment in prayer to God

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Prayer Diary

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