

*Tuesday 1st: As we begin the new month, let us give thanks for the summer and pray that God will keep us safe in the weeks ahead.*

*Wednesday 2nd: In these challenging times, we look to God for guidance and pray that our eyes and ears will be open to those in need - may we be willing and ready to help.*

*Thursday 3rd: We remember today all those who are ill and pray for their carers, whether at home or in hospital. Lord, heal the sick and give compassion, kindness and wisdom to those looking after them.*

*Friday 4th: We pray for those for whom life is difficult at the moment. We remember especially those suffering from mental illness and depression. Lord, fill their days with hope and their nights with peace.*

*Saturday 5th: Thank you, Lord, for the weekend and time to spend at leisure with family and friends.*

*Sunday 6th: We thank God for the beauty of His creation. May we never be too distracted to enjoy and appreciate our wonderful world.*

*Monday 7th: We pray today for all children and young people who are due to return to schools, colleges and universities this month that they will be able to resume their studies in safe and happy environments.*

*Tuesday 8th: May we delight in the simple pleasures of life and thank God for precious moments and all the things which give us joy.*

*Wednesday 9th: Lord, we thank you for the on-going work of Christian Aid bringing much-needed help to the poor and needy across the world.*

*Thursday 10th: Lord, make us as willing to listen as we are to speak and inspire us to reach out to those who need our friendship.*

*Friday 11th: Lord, comfort all who grieve and be with them in their darkest moments. We remember especially those who are lonely and alone in their sadness.*

*Saturday 12th: Today we remember those who are unemployed, especially those who have lost jobs during the pandemic. May God help them to overcome their despair and find good and rewarding work.*

*Sunday 13th: May God bless all those who work in our church - we thank Him for their many talents and the time they give.*

*Monday 14th: Lord, make us quick and willing to share what we have with others.*

*Tuesday 15th: We pray for those in war-torn and unstable countries and ask for God's help in their struggles for peace.*

*Wednesday 16th: As we prepare and eat our meals today, let us remember those who are hungry. Lord, give them sustenance in body and soul.*

*Thursday 17th: Lord, when we are weak, strengthen us, when we are lost, guide us and when we are troubled, give us peace.*

*Friday 18th: We pray today for the NHS. We ask for God's blessing on everyone involved in its continuous and wonderful work.*

*Saturday 19th: There are many people living in fear at the moment. We ask that God will be with them to give them hope and light up their darkness.*

*Sunday 20th: We pray for our families and thank God for the blessing of togetherness with those we love. Please, God, keep them safe in these troubled times.*

*Monday 21st: We remember the issues of global warming and the threats to our planet. We pray for enlightenment that we will all play our part in keeping the world safe for future generations.*

*Tuesday 22nd: On this the first day of autumn we thank God for the changing seasons and the beauty of nature around us.*

*Wednesday 23rd: We pray that God will be in and around our town of Ipswich and that, through his love, it can be a happy place in which to live and work.*

*Thursday 24th: So many people are suffering as a result of the virus and we pray especially for those in troubled relationships.*

*Friday 25th: As we go about our daily lives, let us remember to smile and be kind - we could make so much difference to someone's day.*

*Saturday 26th: Thank you, Lord, for the harvest; for the bounty of our farms and the people who work to supply us with food. May we be grateful and respectful to those working tirelessly in our supermarkets.*

*Sunday 27th: For those awaiting news, good or bad, may God be by their side to rejoice in gladness and comfort in sadness.*

*Monday 28th: We pray for the uniformed groups affiliated to St. Margaret's and for the work of their leaders who instruct them to be good and useful people.*

*Tuesday 29th: God be in my head and in my understanding.*

*Wednesday 30th: As the month comes to an end, be with us Lord in the days ahead.*

# St.Margaret's Church

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# Prayer Diary

## September 2020

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