Notes on the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Every day begins with the appropriate entry from the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Entries from the Porvoo Prayer Diary are incorporated on Sundays

Petitions for the Diocese of London’s 2030 Vision are incorporated on Sundays and in 2024 continue to focus on Confident Disciples and their spheres of work around the capital

Churches and organisations in our linked dioceses of Angola and Mozambique (ALMA) are listed on Wednesdays

Racial justice in the Diocese is prayed for on the 22nd of each month

As well as the Sundays and major Feast Days of the Church Calendar, the Cycle of Prayer includes the men and women commemorated in the London Kalendar, which is available, with explanatory notes on the entries, on the Diocesan website

Amendments and Additions to the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Amendments
The information in this document was checked and updated as near as possible to the time of printing. If you have any amendments to suggest, or any other comments or queries regarding the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, please contact the Editor, The Revd Peter McGeary, at St Mary’s Clergy House, 68 Johnson Street, London E1 0BQ, 020 7790 0973, mcgeary@pmcg26.uk.

Additions to future issues
The Cycle of Prayer for February will include the parishes in Deaneries Nos 2 (Westminster Paddington) and 3 (Westminster St Margaret). If any parish or other institution in those deaneries has a specific request for prayer, or other information it wishes to add, every attempt will be made to include this with the appropriate entry in the Cycle of Prayer. Please forward details to the Editor no later than 10th January. Similarly, details for March (Deaneries Nos 4 and 5) should be forwarded by 31st January.

Alternatively, if there is a special event in your deanery, parish or institution on a specific date in a month when it would not normally come up for prayer, this may also be included in the Cycle of Prayer if space permits. In such a case, please forward details to the Editor no later than the 10th of the previous month.

CYCLE of PRAYER for January 2024

TWO CITIES AREA/ARCHDEACONRY OF LONDON/CITY DEANERY

Monday 1 January

The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

Bor (Sudan): Archbishop Moses Ayom (Bishop)

Give thanks for the communicant churches of the Porvoo, Meissen and Fetter Lane Agreements including the churches of Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden, the Baltic states; and the Moravians

Day of Prayer for World Peace: pray for all those who work for the furtherance of peace throughout our world, and in the City of London especially for the work of the City Police, their Chaplains, and the Christian Police Association

Pray for the work of the Centre for Reconciliation and Peace at St Ethelburga, Bishopsgate, for Tarot Couzyn and Clare Martin (Co-Directors) and staff, and for St Ethelburga’s Christian Fellowship: The Right Reverend Trevor Mwamba, Dave Tomlinson and Peter Owen Jones (Chaplains)

Tuesday 2 January

Botswana (Central Africa): Metlhayotlhe Beleme (Bishop)

All-Hallows-by-the-Tower with St-Dunstan-in-the-East: Katherine Hedderly (Vicar), Jennifer Midgley-Adam, Sophia Acland; Martin Carr (Lay Minister, and Area Warden of Lay Ministers), Charlie Watkins (Administrator)

Wednesday 3 January

Brandon (Canada): William Cliff (Bishop)

ALMA (Mozambique): pray for the Diocese of Lebombo: for The Right Reverend Carlos Matsinhe (Bishop), Luis Zandamela (Vicar General), Mércio Langa (Anglican Social Action Director), Antônio Nhaca (Seminary Rector), Manuel Cumbe (Ministry to the Aged), Elves Gumete (Diocesan Administrator), Ivan Macie (ALMA Link Officer), Sheenagh Burrell (Bishop’s Commissary in the UK)

St Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe with St Ann, Blackfriars and St Martin, Ludgate: The Venerable Luke Miller (Rector), Prebendary Jonathan Osborne; Alex Clark (Administrator)

Joost de Blank
Thursday 4 January

Thomas Stearns Eliot

Brechin: Andrew Swift (Bishop)

Great St Bartholomew: The Priory Church of St Bartholomew the Great and the Hospital Church of St Bartholomew the Less, West Smithfield: Marcus Walker (Rector), Taylor Wilton-Morgan; Rose Murphy (Administrator)

St Bartholomew’s Hospital: Julie Khovacs (Chaplain)

Friday 5 January

Brisbane (Australia): Jeremy Greaves (Archbishop), Cameron Venables and John Roundhill (Suffragans)

St Botolph-without-Aldgate with Holy Trinity, Minories: Laura Jørgensen (Rector, and Area Director of Women’s Ministry), Jarel Robinson-Brown; Colin Setchfield (Administrator)

St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate: David Armstrong (Rector), Andrew Williams (Priest Missioner); Mhairi Ellis (Administrator), Paul Gibson (Verger)

The Aldgate C of E Primary School and Nursery

Saturday 6 January

The Epiphany of the Lord

Bristol: Vivienne Faull (Bishop), Neil Warwick (Bishop of Swindon)

St Botolph-without-Bishopsgate: David Armstrong (Rector), Andrew Williams (Priest Missioner); Mhairi Ellis (Administrator), Paul Gibson (Verger)

London Metropolitan University (Moorgate Campus): Phil Martin (Chaplain)

Sunday 7 January

The Baptism of Christ/Epiphany 1

Pray for the Scottish Episcopal Church: Mark Strange (Primus, and Bishop of Moray, Ross and Caithness)

Nidaros/Trondheim (Norway): Olav Fykse Tveit (Presiding Bishop), Herborg Oline Finnset (Bishop)

Confident Disciples: as we start this new year we pray for grace to Stay with God, finding space in our everyday lives to encounter God’s loving presence

Pray for the Bishop of London, The Right Reverend and Right Honourable Dame Sarah Mullally, The Venerable Rosemary Lain-Priestley (Bishop’s Adviser), Prebendary Sandra McCalla (Bishop’s Chaplain); and Bishop’s staff Frances Charlesworth, Louise Redfern, Emily King, Kiah Holley and Carol Patterson

Pray for the work of the London Centre for Spiritual Direction: Beki Rogers (Director), Karen Wellman (Chair of Trustees)

Sunday 28 January

Epiphany 4

Pray for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa: Thabo Makgoba (Archbishop of Capetown and Primate)

Elsinore (Denmark): Peter Birch (Bishop)

Confident Disciples: at this quiet time of year, we pray for the shopkeepers around our city who face uncertainty

St Paul’s Cathedral: The Very Reverend Andrew Tremlett (Dean), Dr Paula Gooder (Chancellor), James Milne (Precentor), Dr Neil Evans (Steward), Padeola Eleye (Canon for Racial Justice), Paula Hollingsworth (Chaplain), Robert Coupland (Sacrist, and Area Director of Ordinands), Robert Kozak (Succentor), Tessa Bosworth (Curate), the Lay Canons, the Prebendaries and Prebendaries Emeriti, and the Cathedral staff

Pray for the work of the St Paul’s Institute and the Lay Community

Monday 29 January

Calabar (Nigeria): Nneoyi Egbe (Bishop)

St Mary Abchurch: Malcolm Torry (Priest-in-Charge), David Goodburn

Pray for the work of the Friends of City Churches, based at St Mary Abchurch: Karen Hearn (Administrator)

Tuesday 30 January

Joshua Watson/Bryan King

Calcutta (India): Probal Kanto Dutta (Bishop)

Chapel Royal of St Peter-ad-Vincula, HM Tower of London: Canon Roger Hall (Chaplain), Cortland Fransella; Debbie Corbett (Administrator)

Wednesday 31 January

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

Caledonia (Canada): David Lehmann (Bishop)

ALMA: pray for the District of Umbeluzi: The Venerable Machado Nhumpulo (Archdeacon); St Mark, Matola: The Venerable Machado Nhumpulo, Mercio Langa; St Mary, Liqueveula: Victor Zacarias; St Andrew, Namaacha: José Manjate; St Stephen, Cidade da Matola: Felix Macane; St Mary, Trevo: David Geraldo, Josefinha Mholpe; St John the Evangelist, Chinonaquila: Bishop Emeritus Dinis Sengulane, Juan Rubio; and St Bartholomew, Machava: David Geraldo

Temple Church: Robin Griffith-Jones (Master), Mark Hatcher; Catherine de Satge (Administrator)

Mercers’ Chapel: The Right Reverend Michael Colclough (Chaplain)
Tuesday 23 January
Central Busoga (Uganda): Patrick Wakula (Bishop)

United Parishes of St Vedast-alias-Foster, Foster Lane:
Paul Kennedy (Rector), Robert Pfeiffer;
Alan Matthews (Administrator)
Pray for the work of the music education charity VCM,
   based at St Anne and St Agnes, Gresham Street
St Mary Aldermary: Paul Kennedy (Vicar);
   Karolina Zmudz (Administrator)
Pray for the work of the Moot Community at St Mary Aldermary

Wednesday 24 January  William Webb Ellis
Butare (Rwanda): Nathan Gasatura (Bishop)
ALMA: pray for St Mary, Salamanga-Matutine: Manuel Bassopa;
   Holy Family, Boquisso: Vasco Davane; St James, Choupal:
   Amilcar Jotamo, Joana Chilengue; St Monica, Mahlazine:
   Edisson Esteira; St Mary Magdalene: Silva Mazive; St Benedict,
   Malhangalene: Tomas Zandamela; and for St Matthew, Cumbeza:
   Luis Zandamela
All Hallows, London Wall: Paul Gismondi (Priest-in-Charge)
Pray for the work of the urban youth charity XLP, based at All
   Hallows: Luke Watson (CEO), Verity Sykes (Administrator)
St Andrew, Holborn:
   The Right Reverend Jonathan Baker (Priest-in-Charge);
   Caroline Bithell and Nick Hills (Administrators)

Thursday 25 January  The Conversion of Paul
Butere (Kenya): Rose Okeno (Bishop)
St Dunstan-in-the-West: James Wilkinson (Priest-in-Charge);
   Michele Rogers (Administrator)
St Katharine Cree: Josh Harris (Priest-in-Charge),
   Canon Dr Angus Ritchie

Friday 26 January  Dorothy Kerin
Buye (Burundi): Archbishop Sixbert Macumi (Bishop)
St Lawrence Jewry: James Titley (Vicar);
   Katrina Bradley (Administrator)

Saturday 27 January
Byumba (Rwanda): Emmanuel Ngendahayo (Bishop)
Holocaust Memorial Day
St Margaret Pattens: Andrew Keep (Vicar);
   Barbara Nicholson (Administrator)

Monday 8 January
British Columbia (Canada): Anna Greenwood-Lee (Bishop)
St Bride, Fleet Street with Bridewell and Trinity, Gough Square:
   Canon Dr Alison Joyce (Rector), Dr Jeffrey Lake, Steve Morris;
   Claire Seaton (Administrator)

Tuesday 9 January
Central Buganda (Uganda): Michael Lubowa (Bishop)
St Clement, Eastcheap with St Martin Orgar:
   Jill Howard-Gunasekera (Administrator)
Pray for the work of the Amos Trust, based at St Clement’s

Wednesday 10 January
West Buganda (Uganda): Henry Katumba-Tamale (Bishop)
ALMA: pray for the District of Maputo: The Venerable Rogério
   Simione (Archdeacon); St Stephen and St Lawrence,
   Maxaquene: Benedito Mahumae, Carlos Respeito; St Peter and
   St Paul, Thlabane: The Venerable Rogério Simione; and for
   Epiphany, Laulane: Ismael Nhabinde

St Edmund the King and Martyr and St Mary Woolnoth:
   The Right Reverend Ric Thorpe (Priest-in-Charge),
   Andrew Baughen, Wole Agbaje; Cliff Radmore
   (Pastoral Assistant), Andrea Bleakley, Inger Lannero
   and Zachariah James ( Administrators)

Thursday 11 January
Buhiga (Burundi): Evariste Nijimbere (Bishop)
St Giles, Cripplegate: Canon Jack Noble (Rector, and Bishop’s
   Adviser for Prayer and Spirituality), Edwin Wilton-Morgan,
   Alex Norris; Jake Kirner and 'Tola Adegboye (Administrators)
St Luke’s C of E Primary School
Give thanks for St Giles’ ecumenical partnership with
   Wesley’s Chapel and the Leysian Mission

Friday 12 January
Bujumbura (Burundi): Eraste Bigirimana (Bishop)
St Helen, Bishopsgate: William Taylor (Rector), Drew Balch,
   Luke Cornelius, Henry Eatock-Taylor, Dr Aneirin Glyn,
   Jim Houghton, Phil Hudson;
   Jason Barrington and Hannah Tyler (Administrators)
St Peter-upon-Cornhill: William Taylor (Rector), Drew Balch;
   Hannah Tyler (Administrator)
Friday 12 January (concluded)

St Michael, Cornhill: Luke Cornelius, Henry Eatock-Taylor; Drew Balch; Alan Bright (Administrator)
St Botolph-without-Aldersgate: Phil Martin (Vicar); Alan Bright (Administrator)
St Benet, Paul’s Wharf: Dr Aneirin Glyn (Priest-in-Charge)
St Nicholas, Cole Abbey (Centre for Workplace Ministry): Chris Fishlock (Minister-in-Charge), Thomas Wright; Suzie Burden (Administrator)

Saturday 13 January

Bukavu (Congo): Sylvestre Balisusane (Bishop)
St Margaret, Lothbury: Prebendary Jeremy Crossley (Rector); Cliff Radmore (Pastoral Assistant and Administrator)

Sunday 14 January

Pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia: Melter Jiki Tais (Archbishop, and Bishop of Sabah)
Oulu (Finland): Jukka Keskitalo (Bishop)
Sør-Hålogaland (Norway): Svein Valle (Bishop)
Confident Disciples: we pray for the planning of the Lent listening groups being offered to all in our Diocese
Pray for the work of the Archdeacon of London, The Venerable Luke Miller, his PA Chloe Hobbs, and for Area staff Georgina Graham (Operations Manager) and Diane Kerr (Administrator)

Monday 15 January

Bukedi (Uganda): Samuel Egesa (Bishop)
St James, Garlickhythe: Johanne Moss (Administrator)
St Michael Paternoster Royal
Your prayers are requested for a parish in interregnum, and for the successful appointment of a new parish priest

Tuesday 16 January

Bukuru (Nigeria): Jwan Zhumbes (Bishop)
St Magnus the Martyr, Lower Thames Street: Philip Warner (Rector), Barrie Newton

Wednesday 17 January

Bunbury (Australia): Ian Coutts (Bishop)
St Mary-at-Hill: The Right Revd David Urquhart (Priest-in-Charge); Nicki Lewis (Administrator)

Wednesday 17 January (concluded)

ALMA: pray for Ss Philip & James, Mavalane: Lina Tchonga; St Cyprian, Chambuculo: Alida Nhabinde; St John the Evangelist, Infulenle: Cláudio Chitsondzo; St Barnabas, Mahotas-Bagamoyo: Mauricio Mugunhe; and for Good Samaritan, Zimpeto: António Nhaca

Thursday 18 January

Bungoma (Kenya): George Mechumo (Bishop)
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity to 25 January
St Mary-le-Bow: George Bush (Rector); Dannielia Downs (Administrator)
Pray for the work of the charity JustShare based at St Mary-le Bow

Friday 19 January

Busuguru-Kitara (Uganda): Samuel Kahuma (Bishop)
St Olave, Hart Street: Canon Arani Sen (Rector, Area Director of Ministry, Lead Area Director of Ordinands, and Dean of Cultural Diversity); Dr Jim Harris and Alison Sen (Lay Ministers), Huong Hoang (Administrator)

Saturday 20 January

John Howard
Busan (Korea): Onesimus Park (Bishop)
St Sepulchre-without-Newgate: Nick Mottershead (Priest-in-Charge); Jo Boxall (Administrator)

Sunday 21 January

Pray for the United Church of South India: Dharmaraj Rasalam (Moderator, and Bishop of South Kerala)
Tampere (Finland): Matti Repo (Bishop)
Confident Disciples: we pray for those who are looking for work
The City Deanery: Katherine Hedderly (Area Dean); Laura Li (Two Cities Area Deans’ Administrator)
Deanery Synod: Rory Anderson (Lay Chairman), Di Robertshaw (Secretary), Graham Mundy (Treasurer)

Monday 22 January

Busoga (Uganda): Paul Naimanhye (Bishop)
Today we pray for racial justice in the Diocese of London
St Stephen Walbrook: Stephen Baxter (Priest-in-Charge); Elizabeth Maragh (Administrator)
Pray for the work of the London Internet Church, based at St Stephen Walbrook

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