

**St Peter's Church Monthly Prayer Diary**  
**April 2021**

*"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour." 1 Timothy 2: 1-3.*

**1** Pray for all the people of St. Peter's that we may continue to love and serve one another in his name.

**2** *Good Friday. Eternal God, in the cross of Jesus we see the cost of sin and the depth of your love: in humble hope and fear may we place at his feet all that we have and all that we are, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**3** Pray for all those unjustly convicted, imprisoned or executed

**4** *Easter Day; God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.*

**5** Give thanks for holidays, times of recreation and leisure.

**6** Pray for the outreach of our church, that we will continue to impact the neighbourhood with the good news of Jesus Christ.

**7** Give thanks for those hymns and songs which have inspired and uplifted us. Choose a favourite hymn and say it over as a prayer.

**8** Pray for our local vets who look after our pets and other animals.

**9** Intercede for those suffering any kind of addiction, such as alcohol, drugs, gambling or pornography.

**10** Choose a specific theme of praise to our God. Think of his righteousness, his truth, his mercy, his holiness.

**11** *Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.*

**12** Give thanks for the further lifting of lockdown restrictions. Pray for a gradual decrease in the rates of infection.

**13** Yesterday saw the beginning of Ramadan, the month of prayer and fasting for all Muslims. Pray that during this month they will glimpse something of the glory of Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

- 14** Pray for our local shopkeepers and small businesses who have struggled to provide goods and services over the past year.
- 15** Remember our links with the church in Lupeni that we may all learn from one another and receive mutual benefit and blessing.
- 16** Pray for all new parents and those caring for young children that God will supply them with all the love, patience and wisdom they need in that demanding role.
- 17** Thank God for gardens, both private and public, and rejoice in the refreshment and joy they bring us.
- 18** *Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.*
- 19** Think of all those facing hunger, malnutrition or food shortages. Pray that they will receive the help they need and that food will be provided.
- 20** Pray for all those in our church who help faithfully with the practical jobs of maintenance and cleaning.
- 21** The Queen's Birthday. Pray for the Queen and all the Royal family as they continue to serve our nation through the institution of monarchy.
- 22** Ask for healing and strength for all those suffering from Covid-19 and also those still suffering the after effects of 'Long Covid.'
- 23** Pray about the effects of climate change particularly its impact on the very poorest in our world.
- 24** Tomorrow is St George's Day. Pray for all the people of England and give thanks for our culture and heritage. Ask God's blessing on our land.
- 25** *Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.*
- 26** Pray for Carol Ann, especially in her work of preparing the Annual Report and financial statements.
- 27** As we think about the coming local elections pray for all the candidates that they will conduct their campaigns with honesty and clarity.
- 28** Pray for all those working in hospitals and health care and give thanks for their hard work and commitment over the past year.

**29** Think of the work of the Bible Society and the Wycliffe translators as they seek to make God's word available to many different people all over the world. As God to bless their efforts and make them fruitful.

**30** Pray for Christians in sport that they will seek to reflect the values of Christ and uphold the highest standards in their various fields.