

St Peter's Church Monthly Prayer Diary

June 2021

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." Colossians 4:2

1. Our churchwardens, Martin and Stephen continue to serve our church faithfully week by week. Ask God to sustain and bless them in their work and give them the health and energy needed to meet all the demands on their busy lives.
2. Pray for the work of the Samaritans as they seek to provide a lifeline to desperate people.
3. Thank God for the widespread vaccination in our nation and pray that this will be made available to all the poorer nations of the world as well.
4. Pray for all those who access our church via the website or internet.
5. The world environment continues to concern us all. Lift up to the Lord all those working to preserve our natural world and promote biodiversity. Thank God for those who work in national parks, wildlife refuges, game reserves and protected marine areas.
6. *God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.*
7. Lord, we bring to you all those who make and administer the law in this country. Help them to maintain the highest standards in the courts and in parliament.
8. We pray for all those suffering from the various forms of dementia. Ask that they and their families will be adequately supported and that new effective treatments will be found.
9. Pray for the outreach of our church in our local community. Help us to find creative and effective ways of sharing the good news of Jesus with our friends and neighbours.
10. Remember the people on our Prayer List, many of whom are suffering from long term or chronic conditions.
11. Remember the G7 Summit meeting this weekend in Cornwall. Pray for all the leaders of the nations as they meet together to discuss issues of the world economy, energy use and climate change. Give them wisdom to come to positive agreement on these difficult matters.

12. Pray for Tim in his ministry to the whole of the parish.

13. *Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

14. Remember the many refugees all over the world who have been driven from their homes by war, civil conflict, oppression or natural disaster.

15. Think of the many elderly and vulnerable people in our community, some at risk of abuse, some finding themselves targets of criminal behaviour. May we find ways of protecting and supporting them as we become more aware of their needs.

16. Pray for all new Christians and those who disciple them, that every spiritual seed planted will take deep root, grow and flourish.

17. Many Christians express their faith through the creative arts. Thank God for the gifts and talents he has given them in art, music, film, drama, dance and other creative fields.

18. Pray for our local police who help to prevent crime in our neighbourhood, support victims of crime and bring offenders to justice.

19. Tomorrow is Father's Day. Pray for fathers everywhere that they will love their children, protect, guide and care for them as our Father in heaven cares for us. Also, pray for those who feel the pain of separation from their children.

20. *God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.*

21. We look forward to a continuing easing of the lockdown restrictions and pray that life will become easier for those who have struggled over the past year.

22. Pray for the work of SPARC and ask God's blessing and guidance on all those involved.

23. Pray for all those who mourn the loss of a beloved partner and continue to miss them even after many years. Especially pray for the many widows throughout the world who struggle financially as well as emotionally.

24. Ask God for specific guidance and insight in one particular area in your life when you may be struggling.

25. Remember all seafarers, sailors and fishermen and thank God for the work of the Christian ministries who seek to meet their particular needs. Pray for the two million sea-workers on whom global trade depends.

26. St Peter's Weekend. Celebrate our church life together as we rejoice in our shared faith and shared activities.

27. *Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ.*

28. Pray for all those suffering from the effects of drug abuse that they will find the help they need. Pray also for their families who suffer and struggle with them.

29. Pray for Headley Park Church and all those who worship there.

30. Pray that our hopes for Messy Church can go forward as planned and pray for Katie as she develops this project.

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The Second Coming of Jesus – The End Times Lucy's Dream

Wednesday night I had a dream about the end times coming near me and the same lady had the same dream that night. I slept in my bed and I heard a noise. It was thunder and lightning flashing across the sky. I slept again in my bed and heard a noise again. It was bad things that happened first and then was finished. I went to bed again and I slept and heard another noise. It was him speaking to me. Jesus said, "Lucy, Lucy, Lucy, wake up, wake up, wake up," and he said not to be afraid, Lucy, because I am here. I slept again. I heard another noise and he came down from heaven. And he took me to a quiet place said, "Calm down, I am here," and held my hand and prayed for me and he hugged me and held me close to his heart.