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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

'Praying for each other; praying with each other'



October 2025

1 Wed The United Benefice of Reculver

Clergy: Vacant

Assistant Curate: Lawrence Tuck

Churchwardens: John Bailey, Catherine Hampton, Clare Hopper

School: Reculver CE Junior School

Anglican Communion:

Season of Creation

The Diocese of Owo – The Church of Nigeria

2 Thurs Praying Together: for the work of Ministry and Mission

Heavenly Father,

We pray for all those that you have called
to the work of Mission and Ministry

In your Church. Bless and equip all
who have responded to your call and their
desire to be your servants. May they be
inspired to speak your word to all those
that they have been called to

Serve, so that they might receive your word,
believe it and obey it, through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Prayer written by Revd Graham Snellin, Assistant Curate, Dover Town Benefice

Anglican Communion:

Season of Creation

The Diocese of Oxford – The Church of England

3 Fri Praying with the Reculver Deanery: for Missional Learning Communities

Please pray today for the Missional Learning community gathering, worshipping, praying and witnessing in our deanery. Pray that signs of a living faith will spring up in unexpected places. Pray that we will dare to join with God in creating a caring, sustainable and growing Christian presence. Teach us to listen to the voice of God, and to follow where he leads us. May we be a means by which the love God has for the world is shared. Through our acts of loving service and discipleship, may we share the good news.

Anglican Communion:

Season of Creation

The Diocese of Oyo – The Church of Nigeria

4 Sat Praying with the Reculver Deanery: for Fresh Expressions of Church

Heavenly Father, we pray for the Fresh Expressions flourishing across our Deanery. Bless Cafe Church and Sacred Space at All Saints Whitstable, Messy Church at St John's Swalecliffe, and Bubble Church at St Martin's Herne. We give thanks for Ignite worship at Christchurch Herne Bay, and for our innovative school worship at St Alphege Whitstable and St Mary's Reculver. Guide the progress to transform the bungalow into a youth hub at St Alphege Seasalter. May these ministries draw many to know your love, grow in faith, and experience your transforming presence. Amen.

Prayer written by Revd Simon Tillotson - Area Dean of Reculver

Anglican Communion:

Season of Creation

The Diocese of Pacong – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

5 Sun St Martin's, Herne with St Peter, Greenhill

Clergy: Chris Carnaby-Denyer

Reader: Deborah Waller

We pray for all the ways God is calling us to new things, including: Bubble Church; setting up a space for youth to drop in after school; the Community Garden project; community lunches; exploring net zero opportunities for our buildings; and being (at last!) able to open up our church building for daytime visiting, prayer and reflection.

Anglican Communion:

16th Sunday after Trinity

The Anglican Church of Tanzania

6 Mon Whitstable Team Ministry

Clergy: Rachel Webbley, Paulette Stubbings, Simon Tillotson

Assistant Curates: Jayne Edinboro, Eddie Bijl, Ripeka Bijl

Readers: Denise Barker, David Wright, Isobel Legg, Ann Price

Anna Chaplain: Jayne Edinboro, Ann Price

Schools: St Alphege CE Infant School and Whitstable & Seasalter Endowed CE Junior School

Today we pray for the children and young people connected with our churches and schools, and especially the Youth Hub developing at Seasalter, Threshold for teens at St Alphege Whitstable and the ministry of the Swalecliffe Youth Minister.

For our ministry with the elderly, especially in care home settings.

Giving thanks for the solar panels at Seasalter Christian Centre, and on-going development of all five churches as eco-churches.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Panama – Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America

7 Tue Praying with the Thanet Deanery: for its clergy and people

Area Dean: Philip Musindi
Lay Chair: Judith Andrews
Secretary: Judith Andrews
Treasurer: Len Reed

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Pankshin – The Church of Nigeria*

8 Wed Praying with the Thanet Deanery: for Clergy with Permission to Officiate

Please pray with us for those with Permission to Officiate within our Deanery. We thank God for their willingness to continue serving the Church with generosity and joy. May they be upheld and strengthened in their ministry. Please pray for:

Phil Barnes, Malcolm Bradshaw, John Chater, Gary Colville, Vicky Coneys, Michael Cooke, Ken Cox, David Frost, Peter Gausden, Brian Griffiths, Denis Hartley, Beatrice Musindi, Brian Sharp, David Tate, Kerry Thorpe, John Walker, Alysoun Whitton, Sue Woan

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Panrieng – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan*

9 Thurs Praying Together: for the new Diocesan Pastoral team

Bishop Rose has set up a team to provide pastoral care to Retired Clergy, PTOs and widows where required.

Dear Lord, we give thanks for the people who have come forward to become part of the Retired clergy, PTO and Widows Chaplaincy team. We ask that you support them and guide them in this important ministry. Amen.

Prayer written by Revd Ken Cox, Chaplain & PTO in the Thanet Deanery

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Panyana – Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan*

10 Fri Praying with the Thanet Deanery: for Chaplains

Pray for all those exercising chaplaincy ministry - formally and informally - within Schools, uniformed organisations, residential care communities, community clubs, businesses, health care groups, prisons, police, armed services and in sport. May God give them wisdom to respond to the opportunities given, to be assured of their calling to be witnesses to Christ. May they know the support of local churches and see God at work wherever they go.

Judith Andrews, Brian Sharp, Bernard Allen, Margaret Paddison, Chris White, Ken Cox, James Goodwin-Hudson, Gerald Watkins, Margaret Paddison, Loraine Bant, Amanda Madgwick

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Paraguay – The Anglican Church of South America*



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Creator Spirit,

**Who brooded over the waters, turning chaos into life,
Forgive us when our selfishness stifles the waters with
chaos again.**

**Rest on us, we pray,
And make of us a people**

**Who will treasure these gifts of sea and river, pond and
pool,
That they might teem with life once more.**

Amen.

For reflection: If you live in Kent, you're never very far from water of some kind. Why not go for a walk along the river or by the seaside and pray for the health of our seas and waterways.

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THE WONDER OF PRAYER

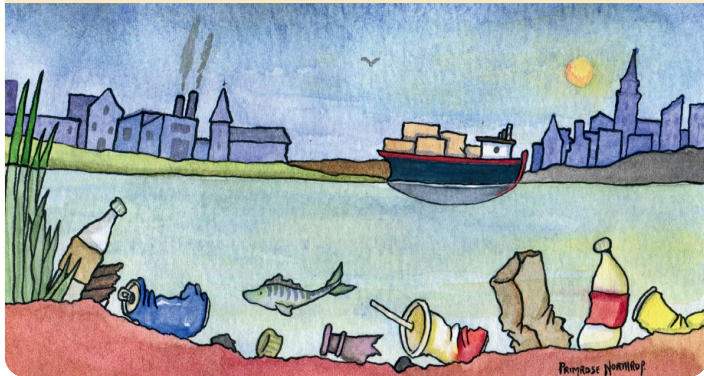
SEASON OF CREATION — FLOWING FREE



‘Then God said, “Let the waters swarm with fish and other life. Let the skies be filled with birds of every kind.” ...’ (Genesis 1:20 NLT)

God, who holds the waters in the hollow of your hand –

- We give thanks for the exuberant diversity of your creation.
- Turn us from indifference to awe, from consumption to cherishing.
- Strengthen our resolve to protect the seas and rivers in this ‘Garden of England’ where you have placed us.
- Show us how to raise our voices when seas and waterways are polluted for commercial gain.
- Equip us to partner with you in enabling all creation to thrive.



11 Sat Praying with the Thanet Deanery: for IGNITE communities

Please pray for the Ignite communities in the Thanet Deanery. May they be upheld and enthused in their ministry and mission. And we pray for all those who are involved. Please pray that each person will know that they are loved and valued, and may they find faith in the risen Lord, as friendships are shared, generosity offered and the joy of community experienced. Pray that the outreach of God’s people will continually remind us of God’s love for all.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Paraná – Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

12 Sun Praying with the Thanet Deanery: for Missional Learning Community

Please pray today for the Missional Learning communities and the Fresh Expressions of Church gathering, worshipping, praying and witnessing in our deanery. Pray that signs of a living faith will spring up in unexpected places. Pray that we will dare to join with God in creating a caring, sustainable and growing Christian presence. Teach us to listen to the voice of God, and to follow where he leads us. May we be a means by which the love God has for the world is shared. Through our acts of loving service and discipleship, may we share the good news.

Anglican Communion:

17th Sunday after Trinity

The Church of the Province of Uganda

13 Mon Birchington: All Saints with Acol: St Mildred & St Thomas, Minnis Bay

Clergy: Mark Ham

Assistant Curate: Jim Barber

Reader: Margaret Hawkins

Anna Chaplain: Loraine Bant

School: Birchington CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Patheine – The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

14 Tue Broadstairs: Holy Trinity

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwardens: Alex Borg, Sue Murphy

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Patna – The Church of North India (United)

15 Wed Margate: All Saints (Westbrook)

Clergy: Leigh Daynes

Churchwardens: Ray Hand, Richard Wheeler

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Pelotas – Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

16 Thurs Praying Together: for those who share the gospel in our schools

Lord God, we thank you for the service of those who are imparting the Gospel to the children in our church schools. And we pray that their work will sow seeds of faith in young hearts and minds. Amen.

Prayer written by Revd Sharon Paine, Assistant Curate at The Elham Valley Group

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Pennsylvania – The Episcopal Church*

17 Fri Margate: Holy Trinity

Clergy: Mark Nelson
Assistant Curate: Ben de Garis
Reader: Ann Friedlos

Pray with us today as we prepare to launch our new Alpha course in October, praying that many would come, explore and find relationship with Jesus.
Pray for the continued growth development of our ministry to young people, both kids and youth throughout the week, including our baby and toddler sessions, midweek bible studies and youth projects all running this term.

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Central Pennsylvania – The Episcopal Church*

18 Sat Margate: St John the Baptist

Clergy: Leigh Daynes
Churchwardens: Ann Smith, Simon Love,
School: Holy Trinity & St John’s CE Primary School

*Anglican Communion:
The Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania – The Episcopal Church*

19 Sun Margate: St Paul (Cliftonville)

Clergy: Mark Nelson, Gavin Cutler, Steve Coneys
Assistant Curate: Dave Mulcock
Reader Kim Palmer

We ask for prayers today for our new Recovery Course, praying that those who attend will find healing and hope. Pray too for those running the course that they will be strengthened and blest by the Holy Spirit. We ask for prayers for our ministry and outreach to young people, in particular our baby and toddler sessions and our youth projects, which run throughout this term.

*Anglican Communion:
18th Sunday after Trinity
The Episcopal Church*

31 Fri Westgate-on-Sea: St James

Clergy: Anand Sodadasi

Pray with us as we continue to actively seek a Youth and children's worker for St. James Church, Westgate and Garlinge. Please pray that we may get a suitable person. Pray too that we will continue to grow in number as a congregation and reach out to our community within the Westgate and Garlinge parishes.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Polynesia – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

20 Mon St Peter-in-Thamet

Clergy: Matt Hodder, Alice Bates

Reader-in-Training: Chris Knight

Schools: St Georges CE Foundation School and St Peter in Thanet CE Junior School

Please pray for the fruit we have seen since we opened the church 6 days a week, following the Diocese's Generous Giving advice and support. Candles are lit, prayers and messages are left on the altar, people most generously use the card machine. We've met local toddler groups playing in our children's corner. We know it is a great comfort to the bereaved. We rejoice that our Sunday morning congregation is flourishing, enabling us to plan a youth group for the 11-18s this Autumn. We know these are God's gifts and offer them back to him, with gratitude and joy.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Perth – The Anglican Church of Australia

21 Tue Margate: St Philip (Northdown Park)

Clergy: Stuart Gay

Reader: Helen Rogers

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Peru – The Anglican Church of South America

22 Wed Ramsgate: Christ Church

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwarden: Peter Dewhurst

School: Christ Church CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Peshawar – The Church of Pakistan (United)

23 Thurs Praying Together: Come Holy Spirit

Spirit of the Living God,

You come to us with gentle grace.

We offer you open hearts and open hands, Ready to welcome you,

Eager to share you,

Awe-struck at the privilege of becoming your dwelling-place. Amen.

Prayer written by Lyndall Bywater - Diocesan Changing Lives Prayer Network Co-ordinator

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Peterborough – The Church of England

24 Fri Ramsgate: Holy Trinity

Clergy: Vacant

Churchwardens: Mary Somers-James, Kay Sinden

School: Holy Trinity CE Primary School

Dear God, your love for us is unchangeable. You have welcomed each of us into the family of your Church; in Jesus, you call us to be His Body in this place. Send down your Holy Spirit upon us at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision and energy and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our common Baptism, and bring new life to our Parish community. This we ask, in Jesus name, Amen.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Central Philippines – The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

25 Sat Ramsgate: St George

Clergy: Paul Worledge

Assistant Curate: Bethany Keenan

Give thanks for new people attending, and for the growth in our Sunday morning congregation. Pray as we run the Bible Course with St. Luke's, that people will grow in their confidence in and understanding of God's word. Pray also that we can find the people to help lead and drive forward our Vision 2030 initiative with St. Luke's in Ramsgate. That the plans will enable us to develop the church to be a community space for all in the town, as well as a place of Christian worship, and that the plans will lead to a growth in disciples of Christ in the town centre.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of North Central Philippines – The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

26 Sun Ramsgate: St Luke

Clergy: Paul Worledge

Assistant Curate: Bethany Keenan

Reader: Colin Gale

Give thanks for new people and especially families attending, and a number of new babies being born - including to our curate. Pray as we run the Bible Course, that people will grow in their confidence in and understanding of God's word. Pray also that we can find the people to help lead and drive forward our Vision 2030 initiative with St. George's in Ramsgate and that the plans will lead to a growth in disciples of Christ in the town centre.

Anglican Communion:

19th Sunday after Trinity

The Church in Wales

27 Mon St Andrew, Reading Street

Clergy: Philip Musindi

Reader: Michael Hawthorne

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Northern Philippines – The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

28 Tue St Laurence-in-Thamet Benefice

Clergy: Catherine Tucker, Ken Cox

Readers: Sue Cox, Judith Andrews, Frances Barnes, Amanda Madgwick

Anna Chaplain: Judith Andrews

For our five churches St Laurence-in-Thamet Ramsgate, St Mark's Northwood Ramsgate, St Christopher's Newington Ramsgate, St Mary's Cliffsend Pegwell Bay & St Catherine's Manston. Pray that our urban ministry in deprived areas continues to grow with our village ministry, especially the pre-school project, social inclusion ministry within massive housing construction, our community events involving bellringing, music and art. For our restoration of Ramsgate's oldest churchyard and plans for a new car park. For our Benefice pastoral training to increase lay ministry in that regard. For our whole ministry team of three PTO's and three Readers, and the three lay members attending the Worship Leaders Diocesan Course this autumn.

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Southern Philippines – The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

29 Wed Wantsum Group

Clergy: Jef Foulger

Assistant Curate: Sally Willins

Reader: Julia Cernoch

Schools: Chislet CE Primary School, Minster CE Primary School, Monkton CE Primary School, St Nicholas at Wade CE Primary School

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Phulbani – The Church of North India (United)

30 Thurs Praying Together: for Ministry and Mission

Almighty God, who by your Spirit equips your people for works of ministry: Grant us boldness in mission and faithfulness in service, that your Church may grow in holiness and number;

that lives may be transformed by your Gospel, and all may know the saving love and welcome of Christ;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer written by Reverend Dr Steven Horne - Assistant Curate - Ashford Town Parish

Anglican Communion:

The Diocese of Pittsburgh – The Episcopal Church