





Prayer Diary

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Please make a copy of the prayer diary for each Minister of Communion in your Parish and make some copies available to church members throughout your Parish.

PRAYER FOR 2024

Be born in us,
Incarnate Love.
Take our flesh and blood,
and give us your humanity;
take our lives, and give us your vision;
take our minds,
and give us your pure thought;
take our feet and set them in your path;
take our hands
and fold them in your prayer;
take our hearts
and give them your will to love.

Caryll Houselander (1901-54)

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Personal Prayer Points

The Anglican Church of Australia

General Synod Standing Committee and Office

The clerical and lay members of the General Synod of Australia

The Primate of Australia the Most Reverend Geoffrey Smith The

General Synod Secretary Ms Anne Hywood

The Anglican Communion

The Archbishop of Canterbury - The Right Reverend Justin Welby

The twenty-three dioceses of the Anglican Church of Australia, their bishops, clergy and people.

Wider Church

For the work of all ecumenical bodies that we may realise the peace and unity for which Jesus prayed and gave his life.

For all Christian Leaders and their

Communions Pope Francis

The Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew

Leaders of Reformed Churches

Day 1

The Bishop

Keith our Bishop

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, send your Holy Spirit to guide Bishop Keith. Keep him in your care and protection now and always. This we ask through Jesus, the Great Shepherd of the Sheep. Amen.

The Administrator

Simon our Administrator

Gracious and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us forever: Bless, we pray, with the Holy Spirit's grace and presence, Simon our Administrator; that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill the will of him who loved her and gave himself for her, your Son Jesus Christ our Saviour, who now lives and reigns with you and the same Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Day 2

All Parishes within the Diocese

Heavenly Father, bless our land with its contrasts of landscape and climate; Guide all its people in our diversity, that we may reflect your love in our love for all creation.

The Diocese

Legal Officers Chancellor - vacant Synod Solicitor - Brett Cowell

The Anglican Church of Australia

Adelaide - Archbishop Geoffrey Smith

Parish of the Murraylands

Cathedral Church of St John the Baptist, Murray Bridge

The Dean: Vacant

Canons of the Cathedral

The Right Reverend Canon Dr Stephen Pickard (John Chrysostom Stall)

The Reverend Canon Dr John Warner (Etona Stall)

Lay Canon Michael Bleby (Walden Stall)

Lay Canon Murray McFarlane (Porter Stall)

Lay Canon Emeritus David Fleming

The Diocese

Our former Bishops John Ford (Bridget) and Ross Davies (Christine)

The Anglican Church of Australia

Armidale - Bishop Rod Chiswell

Day 4

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

All those preparing for Baptism and Confirmation. For Clergy and Lay People who prepare those for these sacraments and those who follow up with visiting and encouragement.

PeaceWise Director - Richard Williamson Diocesan Psychologist - Dr Zoey Doueal

The Anglican Church of Australia

Ballarat - Bishop Garry Weatherill

Day 29

All Parishes within the Diocese

Church Wardens and Members of Parish Councils; Parish Administrators, Office Secretaries and Volunteers; Treasurers, Secretaries and Recorders

The Diocese

The ministry of the Diocesan Website (www.murray.anglican.org) and the Diocesan Facebook page (www.facebook.com/The-Diocese-of-The-Murray-139301872905418/)

The Anglican Church of Australia

For the members of the South Australian Provincial Council and the other provincial committees.

Day 30

All Parishes within the Diocese

For the daily lives and witness of all faithful parishioners, their families, their homes, their workplaces, their schools

The Diocese

For the Anglican Schools in the Diocese

Woodcroft College, Head - Shannon Warren

Investigator College, Victor Harbor Principal - John Robinson

For the Link to Popondetta, PNG

Our link Diocese

The Diocese of Popondota, its Bishop, the clergy and people; for unity and greater cohesion, more resources for ministry, schools and hospitals.

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

For the witness of all who are involved in volunteer work in their community

Fr David Smith (Eileen) - PTO
Fr Alex Stone (Beverley) - PTO
Fr Ted Newing (Joyce) - PTO
Dn Malcolm Martin (Rhonda) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

Missionary societies and missionaries Social welfare agencies

Day 28

Anglican Community Care

The work of ac.care in the South East, Riverland and Murraylands; the workers involved and for an increase in support for this work. Thanks for the financial support of both State and Federal Governments, and that it may continue.

Chairman of Board - Rick Fisher CEO - Shane Maddocks EA to CEO - Daniela Waters

The Diocese

For Anglicans in the Mallee District

Fr Ian Young (Jan) - PTO Fr Richard Litjens (Judy) - PTO Dn Mary Chilver (Peter) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

Educational establishments and pastoral care workers (chaplains)

Day 5

Parish of Kingston-Robe

Holy Trinity, Kingston; St Peter, Robe

Incumbent: Vacant

Ministers of Communion:

The Diocese

Mission Action Planning

The Anglican Church of Australia

Bathurst - Bishop Mark Calder

Day 6

Parish of the Western Fleurieu

St Ann, Aldinga; St James, Delamere; St Margaret of Scotland, McLaren Vale; St Nicholas, Seaford; St Stephen, Willunga; Christ Church, Yankalilla

Incumbents: Fr Brenton Dick (Lyn)

Priest Assistant: Peter Chapman (Heather)

Ministers of Communion

Patricia Frith, Judith Wells, Wendy Sandercock, Christine Gunn, Jane Cuthbert, Joan Dare, Susan Smith, Judith Wells, John Strachan, Gail Filsell, Christine Filsell, Belinda Rosser, Steve Banner, Julia Drought, Greg John and Julianne Bates.

The Diocese

For the work of Anglicare SA in the Adelaide Hills and Southern Suburbs; CEO Grant Reubenicht, Board Member Margaret Holt

The Anglican Church of Australia

Bendigo - Bishop Matt Brain

Parish of the Lower Limestone Coast

St Mary the Virgin, Penola; St Michael and All Angels, Millicent; St Alban, Kalangadoo; the Tarpeena and Beachport congregations

Incumbent: vacant

Ministers of Communion

Dean Burrow, Howard Young, John (Fred) Luckhurst Smith, Jill Fiebiger, Lay Canon Michael Bleby

The Diocese

The Murray Anglican - Editor: Mark Taylor; For the Committee and all contributors.

The Website Webmaster and Facebook Coordinator - Annette Schirmer

The Anglican Church of Australia

Brisbane - Bishop Jeremy Greaves

Day 8

Parish of the Murraylands

St John the Baptist, Murray Bridge; St John the Evangelist, Meningie; St Luke, Tailem Bend

Incumbent: Fr Daniel Irvine (Jasamine)

Priest Assistants: Rev Des Ackland (Raelene), Fr Ian Jansse (Eva)

Ministers of Communion

Lee Lyons, Carole Porter, Raelene Secomb, Ross Amo, Val Spoehr, Beryl Aylen

The Anglican Church of Australia

Bunbury - Bishop Ian Coutts

Day 25

Parish of Strathalbyn

Christ Church, Strathalbyn; St George, Meadows; St Mary, Milang

Incumbent: Fr Andrew Klynsmith (Elizabeth)

Assistant Curate: Rev Margaret Holt

Ministers of Communion

Jan Payne, Brian Landseer, Lindsay Gibson, Eileen Smith, Keven Clonan.

The Diocese

For all involved in the musical offering of the Church, Organists, Choirs, music groups, Music Directors and Librarians

The Anglican Church of Australia

The Defence Forces - Bishop Grant Dibden

Day 26

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

For all involved in mission and evangelism

For the work of BCA, CMS (Australia), Anglican Aid Abroad and other agencies

Fr Steve Davis (Lyn) - PTO Fr Peter Randle (Heather) - PTO Fr Andrew Gall (Kareen) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

All religious communities and societies

Parish of Tatiara

St Barnabas, Bordertown; St Catherine, Keith

Incumbent: Fr Robert Hupfeld (Gerri)

Ministers of Communion

Beryl Watson, Thomas Knowling

The Diocese

For people from the diocese serving in the mission fields - Frances and Margaret

The Anglican Church of Australia

Wangaratta - Bishop Clarence Bester

Day 24

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

For the Archdeacons of the Diocese

Archdeacon of the Fleurieu - Fr Simon Waters Archdeacon of the Limestone Coast - Fr Neil Fernando Archdeacon of The Murray - Fr David McDougall Archdeacon for Social Justice - Dn Peter Sandeman

For renewal in the love of the Holy Scriptures their inspiration and authority in the Church today. For all Bible Study Groups

For all involved in intercession, prayer groups, Christian meditation and the teaching of prayer

The Anglican Church of Australia

Willochra - Bishop Jeremy James

Day 9

Parish of the Mount Barker District

Christ the King, Mount Barker; St James, Blakiston; St Mary's, Echunga; St John, Macclesfield; St John, Mylor

Incumbent: Dr Rodney Fopp

Ministers of Communion

Ian Newman, Lynette Stokes, Paul Stevens, Annette Schirmer, Wendy Mayne, Beverley Slack

The Diocese

For all Sunday Schools, crèches and other activities run by our parishes for and with children and for their leaders. For the encouragement of children in our worship and church life.

The Anglican Church of Australia

Canberra Goulburn - Bishop Mark Short

Day 10

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

All members of the Synod, the Diocesan Council, the Executive, the Finance, Audit & Investment Committee, the Legislation Review Committee and other committees and sub-committees.

All Provincial Council and General Synod representatives.

The Anglican Church of Australia

Gippsland - Bishop Richard Treloar

Parish of the Upper Limestone Coast

St Paul, Naracoorte; St Andrew, Lucindale; King Charles the Martyr, Padthaway

Incumbent: vacant

Ministers of Communion

Graham Dickson, Peter Tamblyn, Julie Ewer, Paul Dolan

The Diocese

Mothers' Union - Diocesan President: Jocelyn Williamson Mothers' Union - Diocesan Chaplain: Fr Daniel Irvine

All branches and lone members; The furthering of the MU purposes to support

marriage and family life.

The Anglican Church of Australia

Grafton - Bishop Murray Harvey

Day 12

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

For more vocations to the priesthood and for the resources to nurture and encourage them.

Fr Robert Haynes (Leanna) - PTO Fr Max Bowers (Ros) - PTO Fr Brenton Daulby (Sue) - PTO Fr Kym Smith (Elaine) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

Melbourne - Archbishop Philip Freier

Day 21

Parish of the Southern Suburbs

St Hilary of Poitiers, Morphett Vale; St Francis of Assisi, Christies Beach; St Aidan, Aberfoyle Park; Christ Church, O'Halloran Hill

Incumbent : Fr Andrew Forder (Debra)

Assistant Curate: Rev Carol Cornwall (John)

Deacon Assistant: Dn Rory Westgarth

Ministers of Communion

Trevor Smith, Greg Roberts, Carole Hawkins, Trevor Brodie, Caroline Earl, Tony Earl, Chris Martin, Rhonda Martin, Rebecca Newell, Joel Savage.

The Diocese

For the growth of our Home Mission and Ministry Training Funds

The Anglican Church of Australia

Sydney - Archbishop Kanishka Raffel

Day 22

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

Bp Lindsay Urwin - PTO Fr John Devenport - PTO Fr Alan Colley (Isabel) - PTO Fr Peter Chilver (Mary) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

Tasmania - Bishop Richard Condie

Parish of the Riverland

St Augustine, Renmark; The Resurrection, Loxton; St Edmund, Barmera; St Oswald, Monash; St Peter, Morgan; St James, Waikerie.

Incumbent: Fr David Patterson

Ministers of Communion

Bronnie Casement, Daphne Dack, Ruth Daws, Janet Grosse, Dean Grosse, Peter Hartley, Jennie Lory, John Reed, Gordon Sharp, Carolyn Stimpson, Marg Staker, Malcolm Mann.

The Diocese

For the renewal of youth ministry in the diocese; for the ministry of pastoral care workers (chaplains) in schools; for all youth groups and their leaders.

Fr Mark Sibley (Sarah) - PTO Rev Scott Maxwell (Keely) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

Riverina - Bishop Donald Kirk

Day 20

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

The Diocesan Registry
Registrar - Richard Earley
Assistant Registrar - Christine Lubcke

The Anglican Church of Australia

Rockhampton - Bishop Peter Grice

Day 13

Parish of Mount Gambier

Christ Church, Mount Gambier; St Luke, Mount Schank

Incumbent: Fr Neil Fernando (Nalini)

Ministers of Communion

Susan Christopher, Sandy Coulson, Trevor Christopher, Julienne Feast, William Hudd, Rick Fisher, Robyn Ashby, Kaylene Barreira, Fay Hill

The Diocese

Anglican Board of Missions Australia - Diocesan ABM Auxiliary; the Provincial ABM Committee; for the encouragement of Parish projects; for success of the Lenten Appeal

The Anglican Church of Australia

National Aboriginal Bishop - Bishop Chris McLeod

Day 14

Parish of Mannum-Mount Pleasant

St Andrew, Mannum; St John, Mount Pleasant; St George, Mount Torrens; the Lameroo congregation; the Karoonda congregation

Incumbent : Fr Bruce Hicks (Melita)

Ministers of Communion

Jean McQueen, Trevor Pamment

The Diocese

All those preparing for Baptism and Confirmation. For Clergy and Lay People who prepare those for these sacraments and those who follow up with visiting and encouragement.

The Anglican Church of Australia

Newcastle - Bishop Peter Stuart

Parish of Onkaparinga Valley

St Thomas, Balhannah; St Mark, Woodside

Incumbent: David McDougall (Andrea)

Ministers of Communion

Jan Palmer, Antonia Broderick, Margaret Wells, Jill Hervé, Cleon Nuske

The Diocese

For increased financial support for The Home Mission and Ministry Training Fund

The Anglican Church of Australia

North Queensland - Bishop Keith Joseph

Day 16

All Parishes within the Diocese

The Diocese

Director of Formation - Dr Rodney Fopp

Clergy in Formation

Fr Daniel Irvine (Jasamine)
Fr Ian Jansse (Eva)

Fr Bruce Hicks (Melita)

Fr Des Ackland (Raelene)
Fr Peter Chapman (Heather)

Rev Margaret Holt

Rev Carol Cornwall (John)

Dr Rodney Fopp

Dn Rory Westgarth

The Anglican Church of Australia

Northern Territory - Bishop Greg Anderson

Day 17

Parish of the South Coast

Holy Evangelists, Goolwa; St Christopher, Mount Compass; St Jude, Port Elliot; St Augustine, Victor Harbor

Incumbent: Nicholas Rundle (Anne)

Ministers of Communion

Vicki Plummer, Louise Townend, Richard Anderson, Mark Gerschwitz, Sue Hender, Richard Stokes, Gillian Colaruotolo, Joan Small, Godfrey Sherwin

The Diocese

For ministry to the elderly - for all those receiving Holy Communion at home or in hospital; For those unable to attend church services any longer; For the lonely and housebound; For the church's ministry of visiting the aged and infirm in their homes.

The Anglican Church of Australia

Perth - Bishop Kay Goldsworthy

Day 18

All Parishes within the Diocese

All Ministers of Communion

The Diocese

Fr Dirk van Dissel (Mary) - PTO, Dean Emeritus Fr Dennis Eales (Mary) - PTO Fr Bruce Cliff (Judy) - PTO Fr Peter Bourne (Lillian) - PTO

The Anglican Church of Australia

North West Australia - Bishop Darrell Parker